# "World Varieties" Smash Hit in 1947

## Atom, U. N., Flying Disks, 'Hamlet' Fill Passing Year

By BAUKHAGE
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FLORIDA, 1947-1948.—The last pink blush of the setting sun has faded from the Indian river. The palm fronds are quiet and only the plaintive peep of the last wakeful bird can be heard over the whisper of the waters.

A year has begun, but only the baby owlets realize that something is different. Life has begun for their generation as it begins each winter almost precisely at this day and hour.

I'm looking through my diary.

**New Year's Day** — Little news, but down the street the church bells ring and for some reason I go to the bookcase and pick up "Pilgrim's Progress." Weave a long quotation into my broadcast and very glad I did—so many people liked it. Back through heavy snow to dinner.

**January 6** — Here is a red card with the seal of the United States on it: "House of Representatives, admit bearer to Radio Gallery." A new, Republican - dominated congress, the first in 14 years. The new "ins" riding high. The "outs" pretty gloomy. The Gallup poll showed Truman at his low point. (The crowd to hear the President's message is no bigger than the one which jammed the senate to see Senator Bilbo barred.) Cowboy Glen Taylor of Idaho, however, stole the Republican show. A difficult broadcast. It looks strange, indeed, to see Joe Martin and Senator Vandenberg sitting there presiding with Truman below them at the speaker's desk.

Baukhage

**January 7** — Had a birthday but didn't record anything. It couldn't have been important.

**January 16** — Press conference at the Polish embassy. (What a change since I broadcast from the drawing room in the days when Hitler began to show his claws.) Now the Soviets have what Hitler took. Nobody believed a word of what the charge d'affaire said as he insisted on the purity of the government's pre-election activities.

Invited to tea for Otto (Hapsburg) of Austria. Couldn't make it. (How are the mighty fallen.)

**January 30** — Broadcast from Roosevelt's bedroom at Hyde Park. Just as he left it. Bedroom slippers, dressing gown, the last magazines that he looked at before he left for Warm Springs, Fala's dog biscuit.

**January 31** — Broadcast from Poughkeepsie. It's centenary of Smith Brothers' cough drops — all the employees wearing beards.

**February 7**—Palestine is boiling.

**February 15** — Took Elizabeth (godchild) through White House.

**February 19** — Dr. and Mrs. Stephen Palmer (pastor of my parents' church, First Presbyterian of Lockport, N. Y.) called.

**February 20** — Heaviest snowfall of year begins. Attlee announces India to be freed.

**February 27** — Baby senators' dinner. Commentators as "pitchers" grill freshmen senators "up to bat" at Press club. I had Flanders of Vermont, McCarthy of Wisconsin and Robertson of Virginia.

**March 12**—Broadcast from house radio gallery again. President's message on aid for Greece and Turkey. Announces "Truman doctrine." Presidential party departs in Sacred Cow. Nat (Nathaniel Peffer, professor of foreign affairs, Columbia university) addresses forum: "Get out of China—Chiang is a crook."

**Late in March**—A southern journey. Daytona Beach, Pensacola, filled with vague memories of my grandmother's stories of her pre-Civil war days here. Lunch aboard the carrier Saipan. Birmingham, Anniston — southern hospitality and sympathetic audiences.

**April 9** — Back in Washington. Saw Maurice Evans in "Hamlet." Very modern. Gravediggers' scene omitted, Ophelia finds her flowers pressed in a book. However, I liked it.

**April 28** — Farmers don't hate daylight savings time any more than I do. Washington on regular time, we get up an hour earlier. As hard for me as it is for a cow to change habits.

**April 29** — Poor Richard club of Philadelphia gives me their "citation of merit." Had a very jolly luncheon. Wally sits next to me (Wallgren, cartoonist of the Stars and Stripes). Later the United Businessmen's association gave me a public service shield.

**May Day** — Mexico's President Aleman addresses joint session of congress. Later we meet him for cocktails and an interview at the decorous Blair house, state department's guest residence for VIPs. Terrific crowd, heat, the poor President nearly pushed into the garden. "Viva Mexico, viva Estado Unidos!"

**May 16** — Called on Dr. Loudon, Netherlands ambassador. He tells me he is leaving. It's not often you establish pleasant friendships with officials whom you may know very well professionally and socially. Dr. Loudon was an exception. Hate to see him go.

**May 20**—Boys back from foreign ministers' conference in Moscow. Baltimore Sun's Paul Ward and Washington Post's Ferdinand Kuhn addressed the overseas writers off-the-record. What they said confirmed other off-the-record conferences with high officials. Not much hope for Russian-American amity.

### *Couldn't Get Maple Sugar*

**May 21** — Hear violent argument "Vermont maple sugar is better than Ohio maple sugar. . . ." Affirmative: Presidential Secretary William Hassett of Vermont. Negative: Dr. Louis Tuckerman, bureau of standards, nuclear physicist of Ohio. Later broadcast my willingness to judge if given samples.

**June 5** — Secretary of State Marshall, at Harvard, outlines ideas on European recovery.

**June 11** — Dinner and forum. Dr. Chisholm, Canadian minister of health, gave a splendid talk. He believes it will take a lot of education to change human beings from "the kind of people who go to war every 25 years." Still no samples.

**July 8** — The air is full of flying saucers. So are the airwaves and the newspapers. Typical mass illusion.

**July 25** — Off for a week in New York state and Vermont. Showed my wife scenes of my hiking days. Climbed Mount Mansfield again (on a ski lift). (Maple syrup, $10 a gallon.)

**August 2** — Back to tropical Washington. Re-stocked office aquarium with guppies, black mollies, zebras, angel-fish and jumbo snails.

**August 11**—Preview of film "The Roosevelt Story." Good historical documentary, but commentary quite out of tune, for those who lived through most of it.

**August 19** — Tragedy — angel-fish succumbs and is eaten almost alive by the predatory, if sanitary, snails.

**August 20** — Bill Benton, director of state department's "Voice of America" program, calls us in for criticism. He has a rather impressive factual report on its effectiveness.

**September 16** — Back in the ABC broadcasting booth at the United Nations in Flushing, N. Y., to watch the general assembly re-convene. Too busy to make any diary entries from now on.

**September 27** — Returning to Washington. Progress at the assembly seems to be caught in the "njets," but there is a will to peace there which will hold the organization together to the last ditch.

**October 14** — Interview with Stassen.

In huddle with state department's second-level experts. Marshall plan by no means ready. Paid for my own lunch.

**October 28** — Folks in Upper Darby, Pa., seem less interested in the '48 presidential campaign than in the international situation.

**November 10** — Folks in Oak Park, Ill., seem more interested in the '48 presidential campaign than in the international situation.

**November 16**—MC'd "Decade of Destiny" program on Richmond News Leader's WRNL station for their 10th anniversary. Smithfield ham and more Virginia hospitality.

**November 17** — Extra session of congress opens. President's European aid and domestic anti-inflation message received with polite but restrained enthusiasm by the majority party.

Delivered a learned discourse: "Journalism: Its Cause and Cure."

**December 7** — Television interview with Senator Flanders of Vermont and Senator Lucas of Illinois on inflation. We didn't do much to bring down prices, but our temperatures rose slightly under the kliegs.

**December 12**—Off to Florida.

**BOTTLE BABIES . . . Porkey and Jacob Werner of Baltimore, Md., must drink 17 gallons of water a day between them in order to go on living. They are victims of a rare kidney ailment that brings about body dehydration. Seventeen gallons of water weighs about 142 pounds; combined weight of the children is 54 pounds.**

*NEWS REVIEW*

## Panama Bases Denied; List Grain Speculators

Unanimous rejection by Panama's national assembly of a treaty which would have given the U. S. the right to lease and man 14 military and airfield sites to defend the Panama canal not only precipitated a diplomatic disaster but also left this nation in the position of a fighter without a left hand to guard his jaw.

The action, strongly opposed by Panama's President Jiminez, left the U. S. with just one alternative—to pull out—since commitments had been given that no American troops would remain in Panamanian territory without sanction of an authorized treaty.

Military officials later announced that the withdrawal of some 2,000 U. S. soldiers from the 14 bases surrounding the canal would be begun immediately. That meant, probably, that the troops would be pulled into the canal zone proper, which the U. S. leases from Panama.

This was, by all odds, the most crucial issue to arise in U. S.-Panama relations since this country purchased the canal from France in 1904. And it was aggravated by the fact that the inability to man defense bases around the canal left this most vital point in American military security dangerously exposed.

Rep. Albert Engel (Rep., Mich.), chairman of the house appropriations subcommittee on defense, stated his belief that the national assembly's 51 to 0 vote against the treaty was influenced at least in part by the Communist movement in Panama; and he suggested that the U. S. build a new Atlantic-Pacific canal outside Panama if that nation continued to refuse use of bases.

There did not appear to be much chance of further negotiations, however; the assembly's rejection of the pact probably closed the door on that course. Some officials were speculating on whether the problem might not wind up in the lap of the United Nations for solution.

### SERIAL:
### *Grain Opera*

Secretary of Agriculture Clinton Anderson, at the behest of the senate appropriations committee investigating commodity speculation on the part of government officials, came through with the first installment of the "names" he had promised to name.

There were 711 of them — big traders in grain and other commodities. But except for the name of the man who precipitated the investigation, Edwin W. Pauley, presidential advisor and special assistant

**ANDERSON'S LIST**

to Army Secretary Kenneth Royall, there were no spectacular disclosures on the list.

While there is no law against speculation, the current investigations ordered by congress stem from reports that government officials have profited from "inside" information on government commodity buying plans.

Anderson's 711-name list was the first installment in a series which the agriculture secretary will forward to the senate appropriations committee, simultaneously making each list public. An estimated 14,000 names are available for such listing.

Meanwhile the senate appropriations committee, as well as a house committee, were ready to start sifting the rolls for possible irregularities and especially for leaks of inside information.

### WARNING:
### *On Prices*

The President's council of economic advisers, an astute group that sometimes functions as Mr. Truman's conscience, has warned that the U. S. must return to "real price competition" if the present boom period is not to collapse into a shapeless economic mess.

In its annual report the council sharply criticized "monopolistic practices" and declared also that:

"Many industrial prices must come down at least in relation to other prices and many rates of profit must subside while reasonable profitability is established in other areas."

The report surmised that the present era of prosperity was "abnormal" because of such factors as heavy exports, short crops and great military expenditures. To remedy the situation the council offered these recommendations:

1. Elimination of deliberate curtailment of output as practiced by some labor organizations.

2. Discontinuance of the practice of big business of hampering the development of new, small businesses.

3. Development of natural resources and increase in the industrial facilities of the nation.

### Search for Researchers

One of the adverse factors developing to hamper the nation's postwar program of scientific progress is a critical scarcity of scientists in certain branches of military research, government officials have revealed.

They discount, however, statements that an aversion on the part of scientists to working on death-dealing weapons is the primary cause of the shortage.

Economic factors and a scholar's normal desire for complete freedom in study, rather than any anti-military philosophy, keep many of them away from government work, officials of the military and the atomic energy commission observed.

Greatest shortage is in certain key personnel, it was disclosed. The need was stressed for scientist-administrators who are capable of organizing and directing large research projects of the type the government is sponsoring. Long-range planning is being directed at correcting the situation.

*WHAT CAR DO YOU LIKE?*

## '48 Auto Is Child of Evolution

That sleek, snake-hipped automotive beauty that you probably are on a waiting list for is a shiny example of the "survival of the fittest" principle operating in the industrial world.

It is the evolutionary descendant of 2,200 different makes of cars which have appeared on the market in this country alone during the 55 years since the first gasoline-powered automobile drilled down the pike.

Of those 2,200 different manufacturers who introduced their products into the American scene, only 21 today continue in actual production of passenger cars in the U. S. Nevertheless, this year's models owe much to these enterprising manufacturers who failed to survive. Many of them, in the true evolutionary spirit, added something new that was incorporated into the cars we drive today.

High on the list of major engineering contributions by companies no longer in production, according to the Automobile Manufacturers association's data, is the steering column control introduced by Pierce in 1904.

Brush brought out a car in 1907 with coil springs, and in 1909 Hupmobile caught automotive engineers by surprise with its single unit power plant — engine, clutch and transmission.

The center gear shift control by King in 1910 caused a sensation unequalled in the motoring public's eye until Pierce-Arrow put headlights in the fenders in 1914. And the Dusenberg's four-wheel hydraulic brakes of 1920 were little short of revolutionary.

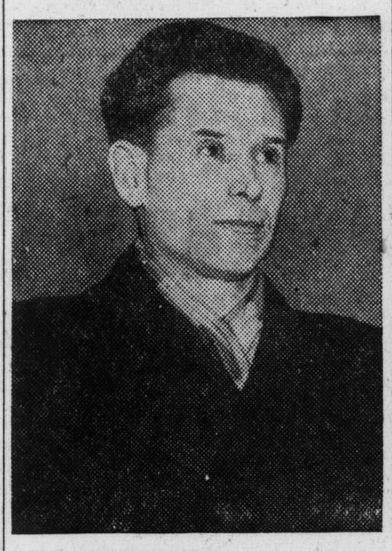
When Eddie Rickenbacker brought out the Rickenbacker car in 1922 he added the aircleaner to automotive equipment. The Franklin contributed the covered running board to the automobilist with the "Pirate Phaeton" in 1933.

Although all of these companies have disappeared from the field, the engineering discoveries they sponsored live on after them, and some of the refinements offered today are based upon improvements which were displayed in bold type in catalogues published around the turn of the century.

**BIRD IN THE HAND . . . Gertrude Lawrence, England's great gift to the theater, loves birds (not the kind you get in Brooklyn). On her shoulder is a rose-crested cockatoo and in her hand she holds an African grey parrot.**

**ROYAL THANKS . . . When Julie Alloro, 4, of Brooklyn, sent a turkey to Princess Elizabeth for a wedding gift she thought that was the last of it. Then came thank-you letter from Buckingham palace with royally picked wishbone enclosed.**

**DOUBLE TAKE . . . The face in the background and the diamond back terrapin at the left are normal, but the terrapin at the right is a genuine double-header. It turned up out of an egg at the department of commerce aquarium in Washington, D. C.**



**NEW ON THE JOB . . . Alexander Semonivich Panyushkin is the new Soviet ambassador to the U. S. He replaced Nicolai V. Novikov who was recalled to Moscow for "reasons of health," or maybe you prefer your own reasons.**

**CAREER GIRL . . . No pampered do-nothing is Drucie Snyder, daughter of John Snyder, secretary of the treasury. At Bethesda, Md., station WBCC, she worked her way up from girl-of-all-work until now she has her own news program.**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## The FICTION Corner

# ONE MORE JUMP

By ROBERT C. BLACKMON

"I'VE told you it makes no difference to me, Ralph, and I meant it. It really doesn't."

Dusk dimmed the coral gold of Harriet Marne's hair, dimmed the blue of the light dotted buildings rising above the flat roofs upon which she and Ralph Pell stood. It filled with deep shadow the narrow slot of the alley between them, and the noise of the city was a screen about them, isolating them from the rest of the world.

"That's what you think now, but you'd get straight in your thinking in a few weeks, or months, or years. Then it would make a lot of difference." Across the alley, Ralph Pell leaned bronzed arms on the low brick parapet of the other building and shook his head in slow deliberation. Pink neon glow spilling into the alley from the street eight floors down glinted on his brown eves and made odd shadows in his curly brown hair. It changed to an impossible color the tan of his knitted sport shirt. "After that, it would always be there between us. Or rather, it wouldn't be there."

He laughed harshly and reached down to feel, through brown trouser fabric, the device which substituted for the flesh and bone he had left on a field in Normandy when gunfire from the ground met parachutes drifting silently in the darkness. He would never forget that.

"No, Ralph." Harriet's small fist struck the stained brick of the low parapet bordering her own flat roof, as if to drive understanding across the dark drop of the alley between them. "It would never make any difference to me. To me, you would always be—" She groped momentarily for a word that would not sting.

"Normal?" His voice was flat and bitter.

"Please, Ralph." Her voice rose a little.

"Sorry, but I'd never be that, even with two real legs." He laughed shortly. "Service medico says I'm part of a mind, as well as part of a man. Let's don't kid ourselves. Too much is riding on it. It would always be there between us like—well, like this alley is between us now. I'd have as much chance getting over it as I would getting over this alley." He glanced down at the eight-story drop, the sliver of pavement below. "Imagine me doing that. Be your age. Get wise to some facts. The best thing for both of us to do is to forget we ever—Ah!" He made a savage gesture.

"Let's talk about something else." Harriet said that quickly, almost desperately.

"Let's talk about you peeping at me on my roof here this summer. Let's talk about you waiting downstairs to introduce yourself as the peeper. Let's talk about the places we have been together, the things we have done. Let's talk about our meeting up here with the alley between us in the evening. Let's talk about—" Her voice stopped for a moment on an odd, sharp gasp. "Let's talk about the big ape escaping from the city zoo this afternoon. Let's—"

"Ape escaping from the zoo?" Ralph Pell stood, tall and slender in the night. "I haven't heard anything about it. You're sure?"

"You probably missed it." Harriet laughed a little shrilly. "The ape is big and black and ferocious. I—I certainly wouldn't like to meet him up here on my roof alone, with no one here to help me. Goodness! Ooooooooh!" She shivered audibly.

"No chance of that." There was amused tolerance in his grin. "The ape's probably back in his zoo cage and glad to get away from humans. And I didn't peep at you on your roof. I looked. It can't be a crime to look at softness and beauty and sweetness, with so much hardness and ugliness and bitterness in the world. It can't be a crime for a—Ah! Let's talk about the ape!" he finished quickly, harshly.

"Well, I like that." Harriet laughed.

She moved away from the parapet, small and shapely in the night against the neoned sky. "I'm cold. I'll have to get a wrap. Don't go away. I'll be back in a minute." She ran.

Ralph Pell watched her cross the flat roof of the other building to the small shedlike structure that housed the stairway. It was about forty feet away. Then he jammed his hands down into his trouser pockets, swore softly and kicked at gravel on his own flat roof with his good foot, balancing himself on the artificial limb. His eyes were stormy, his lips tight.

**"It would never make any difference to me. To me, you would always be—" She groped momentarily for a word that would not sting.**

Harriet was swell people. That made it tough, but positive. She deserved a whole man. Years, or maybe only months or weeks from now, she'd look back and be glad that things turned out as they had. She'd realize that he was right, and maybe she'd understand why—and—well, everything. It was tough now, but—

HARRIET'S small figure appeared in the doorway of the stairway shed on the other roof. Even as she appeared, a strange black shape came between them, all but blocking her from his view. Then he heard her scream, shrill and clear in the night.

"Ralph!"

The ape!

The impact of the two words drove him forward until his knees struck the edge of the low brick parapet bordering the eight-story drop into the alley between the two buildings.

He heard Harriet scream again.

Shouting for help would be useless. By the time someone heard and understood and reached the other roof. . . . It would take many minutes to run downstairs, cross to the other building and get to the roof. In the meantime. . . .

Sweat came out on his face as he put his good foot up on the edge of the brick parapet and thrust his lean weight up with the other leg. Grunting with effort, he flung himself out over the alley and toward the brick parapet of the other building roof.

For a moment, he was drifting down through the black Normandy night, a huge silk dome above him, bracing himself for the blast from the ground, the numbing shock of bullets striking.

His artificial foot struck the other parapet and slipped off. He fell. There was a quick, breath-taking drop toward the pavement eight floors down, then his outflung arm struck brick. Brown fingers curled over a sharp edge, gripping. Strain came on the arm as he stopped the fall, and his weight all but tore his fingers loose. Small, sharp sounds came from his lips and he got his good leg up, hooked the heel over the edge of the parapet, then levered the rest of him up. He rolled over the parapet top and dropped to the flat gravel roof of the other building, and his heart beat was shaking him.

Even as he struck he was up and running toward Harriet and the black shape.

He came within reach, laced fingers into stiff, course fur and jerked savagely to drag the black shape away from Harriet. The fur yielded with an ease that all but made him fall, and he found himself holding the black-furred pelt of a small animal. There was felt sewn to the underside of the pelt, and he recognized the thing.

"Hey! This is the little black bearskin from your apartment!" He yelled at Harriet Marne standing before him in the darkness, small and quiet. "Hey! You made me jump that—! I might have—!"

"I knew you wouldn't fall—couldn't fall." Harriet Marne started laughing and crying at the same time. "It was just one more jump you had to make—to prove—Oh, Ralph!" Her lifted arms were slim and white in the night.

Ralph Pell dropped the pelt, and there was no further need for words.

## Tricks for Teens

By NANCY PEPPER

**THOSE DISC JERKIES**

We weren't aware that those recorded radio programs, M. C.'ed by eager young beavers known as "disc jockies," had become so much a part of teen-age life until one of our hi style scouts from Nashville, Tenn., told us it was customary to end up an evening date at the local radio station to watch the platters go 'round and listen to the jockey joke. That piece of news set us out on the trail for more disc jockey info. Tune in to the next transcribed paragraphs, if you're interested.

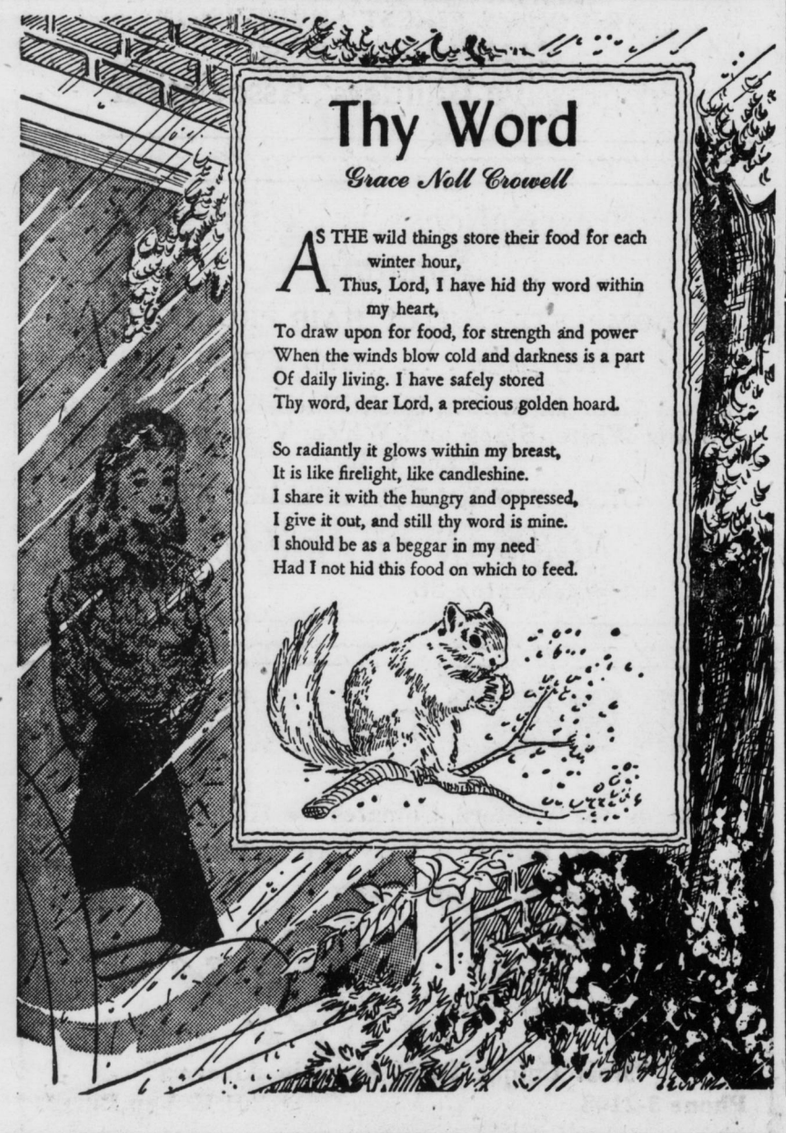
**MOTHER'S DAY**—Up in Montreal, Canada, Disc Jockey Bob Horne, who conducts a regular after-school clam bake for teen-agers, has established every Thursday as Mother's day. Teen-agers request records to be played for their mothers and the Mother-of-the-Week is picked from their letters and is sent a dozen roses. Wonder if any mother has been honored with Spike Jones' "William Tell Overture."

**RHYME TIME**—Out Detroit way, a disc jockey known as "Jack the Bell Boy," reads poems submitted to him by ten-agers. He also sends out membership cards and club pins to every teen-ager who wants to join his disc club.

**CLOCK WORK**—In Dayton, Ohio, teen-agers depend on Bud Baldwin's "Breakfast in Bedlam" to get them to school on time. And in Oklahoma, disc jockey Tom De Vore spins special "Two-Minute Egg" tunes for the benefit of housewives who like to boil their eggs to music.

**CELEBRITY SESSIONS**—Lucky St. Louis teen-agers who attend Disc Jockey Gil Newsomes' "Teen Thirty" club have actually met such guest stars as Buddy Clark, Nat "King" Cole, Eddy Howard, Frankie Carle, Stan Kenton and, oh, so many others. Also, after the broadcast, there's an hour of dancing right there in the studio.

Well, as one disc jockey said to another disc jockey, "Go fly in a saucer." And that, junior, explains the mystery of those discs you saw in the sky last summer.



## Thy Word

*Grace Noll Crowell*

AS THE wild things store their food for each winter hour,
Thus, Lord, I have hid thy word within my heart,
To draw upon for food, for strength and power
When the winds blow cold and darkness is a part
Of daily living. I have safely stored
Thy word, dear Lord, a precious golden hoard.

So radiantly it glows within my breast,
It is like firelight, like candleshine.
I share it with the hungry and oppressed,
I give it out, and still thy word is mine.
I should be as a beggar in my need
Had I not hid this food on which to feed.

## Farm Topics

# 'Starter' Fertilizer Boosts Tomato Yield

### Best Results Obtained With Cannery Produce

Tomato yields have been increased greatly by scientists who used starter solutions at transplanting time. Completely soluble, high analysis fertilizers now are available which will make excellent "starter" or transplanting solutions for cannery tomatoes, according to the New York state experiment station.

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of straining out the insoluble residue which results if ordinary fertilizers are used for this purpose. Excellent results may be obtained from using the 15-30-14 formula at the rate of four pounds to 50 gallons of water, or 10 pounds of a 5-10-5 to the same amount of water.

The solution is applied at transplanting time at the rate of one-fourth pint to the plant. Increased yields of a ton and a half of tomatoes are not uncommon from the use of these solutions, which cost less than $1 an acre for materials. The beneficial effects are especially marked at the first picking of cannery tomatoes. Market gardeners are not likely to find the practice so beneficial because of the more intensive fertilization of their land and the better nourished plants they usually employ.

## Precautions Suggested To Cut Haying Mishaps

Haying mishaps annually account for a large percentage of the mounting farm accident toll, National Safety council points out in urging farmers to take extra precautions during the haying season.

To reduce hazards and thus avoid disastrous losses, here are a few suggestions:

Carefully check all equipment for defective hitches, ropes, pulleys, lifts, hay racks or ladders. Loft floors should be put in good repair and hay chutes guarded.

Make starts and stops gradually in all haying operations and watch out for falls from hay racks, hay stacks and hay mows.

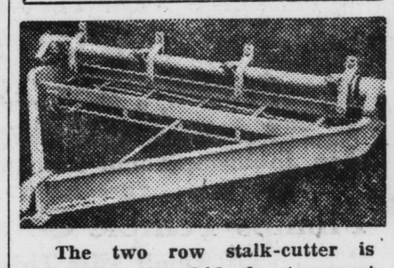
Machinery should be stopped and thrown out of gear before oiling, adjusting or unclogging, and safety guards should be kept in place at all times.

Pitchforks are dangerous; always place them where they are in plain sight of all workers. Never throw a pitchfork.

Do not wear loose or ragged clothing which may catch easily in moving machinery.

Damp hay is one of the principal causes of barn fires. Be sure the hay is well cured before storing and check regularly for several weeks for any signs of heating.

## Two Row Stalk-Cutter



**The two row stalk-cutter is turned on its skids for transport between fields. When reversed (with cutting blades on reel removed) and riding on cutter blades, the tool levels corn stalks so the ground can be prepared more easily for the next crop. Arc welding makes a rigid frame that is required when the cutter is hauled through a field behind a tractor.**

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Many woody plants, including willows, are partially killed by 2, 4-D sprays. Killing of large shrubs or trees cannot be expected. The spray may be used, however, to prevent resprouting of susceptible species by applying as a concentrated spray to resprouts after the trees and shrubs have been cut. Repeated applications will be necessary to prevent further growth.

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## Spare the Rod

There may be ample room—in places other than the House of Representatives—for honest difference of opinion as to the merits or otherwise of the 70-group Air Force program. But there ought not to be any doubt as to the correctness of Secretary of Air Force Symington's position in this matter.

The issue, stated in oversimplified terms, is whether we should have the "balanced" armed force program advocated by the President and Secretary of Defense Forrestal or the "big air force" program for which the House has voted. The vote, incidentally, was 343 to 3, the dissents coming from those conspicuous left-wingers, Representatives Marcantonio, Isacson and Powell.

In his recent appearance before the House Armed Services Committee, Mr. Symington, in response to questions, departed from the Truman-Forrestal "line." An Air Force of 70 groups, he said, is more important to the country's security than is universal military training.

President Truman, speaking emphatically, told his press conference yesterday that he is supporting to the limit the Forrestal program for a balanced military team, including only 55 air groups. He did not know, he said, why Mr. Symington had differed with the administration's recommendations as to the size of the Air Force, and when he was asked whether he planned to spank Mr. Symington, the President said he would answer that question later.

This obviously implies that Mr. Symington is in the presidential dog house. But there can be no excuse whatsoever for "spanking" him.

When a member of the cabinet is called before a committee of Congress and asked for an opinion on a matter within his official sphere, it is his clear duty to answer candidly and fully. It is Congress which must make the final decision, and to do that intelligently it must have all of the information and opinion it can get. The President has no right to prevent Congress from getting this information, and he would have even less justification for spanking any member of his administration for stating his opinion to Congress when called upon to do so.

## Russian Veto on Trieste

The Soviet government's emphatic rejection of the proposal by the Western Powers for a "Big Four" conference on the return of Trieste to Italy may be considered from two aspects. In the first place, it is the latest move in the "cold war" being waged between the Soviet bloc and the Western democracies. In the larger frame of reference, it typifies the increasing subordination of constructive statesmanship to "power politics."

The Moscow foreign office must have penned its rejection with angry reluctance, because Western diplomacy had put it very much "on the spot." The joint American, British and French proposal for Trieste's return to Italy neatly impaled Moscow on the horns of a dilemma. To acquiesce meant letting down its "fair-haired boy," Marshal Tito, Red boss of Yugoslavia and its faithful henchman, together with a general loss of Soviet "face." To reject the proposal, on the eve of the Italian elections, meant another blow to Communist hopes in that country—which, of course, was what the Western proposal was intended to do. Soviet pique is shown in the tone of the rejection, which brands the plan as uncalled for, unacceptable and a violation of "the elementary principles of democracy."

What Moscow did not mention is the fact that its own conduct and that of its Yugoslav satellite had rendered impossible the setting up of the Trieste "Free State" provided for in the Italian peace treaty. Furthermore, Moscow did not mention the fact that this provision was a compromise agreed to reluctantly by the Western Powers in face of Yugoslav demands for the annexation of Trieste, backed by Moscow. Another omission was a reference to the continued provocation and bad faith shown by Tito in the interim administration of the Trieste area. It is this entire background which fully justifies the Western Powers in their diplomatic counter-offensive that promises to bear such good fruit.

Yet, in the larger sense, the failure of the Trieste "Free State" plan is a melancholy commentary on the entire European situation. For such an international regime, if genuinely implemented, would best accord with economic realities. Trieste is really international in character. It owed its rise from an obscure fishing village to a thriving port-city because its harbor rendered it the logical outlet for the trade of Central Europe with the Mediterranean. This was made possible by the building of a trunk railway across the mountains to the northward by the government of Austria-Hungary, whereof Trieste formed a part.

The destruction of that empire during World War I left Trieste economically "in the air." Under the then-prevalent doctrine of national self-determination, Trieste was logically awarded to Italy, because the population of the city is overwhelmingly Italian in speech, culture and blood. But Trieste as a port is not needed by Italy. Neither is it more than a local convenience to the adjacent part of Yugoslavia, which has other nearby port outlets. And the tariff barriers set up by both Yugoslavia and Italy gravely handicapped the overland traffic with the Central European hinterland, which includes Austria, Czechoslovakia and even Germany. So Trieste, despite Italy's best efforts, has never recovered its prosperity of before World War I.

The logical solution of this problem would be the creation of a free port in Trieste, with bonded transit rights for its rail communications, coupled with local autonomy for the resident population. The "Free State" plan was theoretically a beginning of such a solution. But the "cold war" between East and West foredoomed it to failure.

## Atomic 'Ashes'

Our nuclear-fission authorities now are beginning to talk openly about one aspect of the atom that has received very little publicity to date. This is the problem of how to get rid of the refuse or waste material accumulated in the process of atomic production. It is not a simple problem. On the contrary, as time goes on, it is likely to become so big and difficult that extraordinary international measures will have to be taken to cope with it.

As outlined the other day to the Greater New York Safety Council, the problem is this: Like a coal-burning furnace, an atomic plant leaves a residue of "ashes," but they are "ashes" much too hot merely to be carted away and dumped somewhere. They are endowed with a dangerous radioactivity that may last for thousands of years, and they will be accumulated in ever-increasing quantities as our own and other nations expand operations in the field of the atom. Right now, however, the experts are by no means certain that they can figure out just how and where to dispose of this waste in such a way as to guarantee that it will do no harm.

The idea of digging deep holes and burying the refuse has been looked into, but it appears to be no good. A more promising proposal is for an international agreement under which the radioactive waste of all countries would be systematically gathered together at regular intervals to be diluted and mixed with concrete. Then, being thus imprisoned in solid blocks, it would be dumped into the sea far away from land and human beings. But even this plan is open to doubt, and some experts have half seriously suggested that the only solution may be to put the stuff in rockets and shoot it to the moon or ship it out into space in missiles that would take their place in the firmament as man-made satellites far removed from us.

This is all very typical of the atom. Despite the enormous good implicit in it, its fantastic side is so fearsomely real that it makes peace of mind extremely difficult to achieve. That states the case mildly. As long as there is no international agreement to control it for beneficent ends, poor modern man will have reason to wonder why he ever unloosed this thing upon himself. The nations have a chain-reacting bear by the tail. Unless they work together for a way out of their predicament, they are going to move separately toward wrecked nerves, panic and a common disaster that could conceivably reduce the whole world to radioactive ashes.

## Dr. Koussevitsky's Retirement

If the retirement of Dr. Serge Koussevitzky from the regular leadership of the Boston Symphony were to mean the close of his active career as one of the truly great musicians of his time, the event would be an occasion for profound regret among thousands of his admirers. But relief from the "strenuous obligations" of the eighteen weeks of the annual winter season does not signify an arbitrary end to the master's work. He will preside over thirteen concerts in the 1948-1949 schedule and then appear as a guest at intervals with the organization he has brought to artistic perfection during a quarter century of tireless service. Also he has announced his intention to continue to direct the enterprises of the Berkshire Center at Stockbridge, Massachusetts, where musical history systematically is made.

After he retires Dr. Koussevitsky will have leisure for composition if he wishes to write, or he may lecture if he desires to exchange the podium for the lyceum platform. His interest in the democratization of genius already has prompted him to set up a foundation in memory of his wife "for the further development of musical culture." That philanthropy might be expanded by his own spoken interpretation of the recordings for which he is famous. It would be an experience worth having to hear him discourse on his conceptions of Tschaikowsky's Pathetique or Haydn's Surprise Symphony.

Much good could be accomplished in this respect if Dr. Koussevitzky were to do what Robert Schumann did in his journal between 1834 and 1844. Many people stand in need of instruction in the values of classic music, and if an accredited authority would undertake to teach them they surely would respond with enthusiasm.

## Let Them In

The House Judiciary Committee ought to move as promptly as possible to get action on the displaced persons bill introduced by Representative Fellows of Maine. The bill—which differs substantially from the one now being debated in the Senate—is a kind of compromise designed to do two things: (1) To meet numerous objections to other measures on the same subject, and (2) to help solve a problem that Congress has dallied with too long already.

Under Mr. Fellows' bill, 200,000 DPs could be admitted into the United States over a two-year period. These emergency entries would be charged up against future regular immigration quotas to the extent of 50 per cent. In other words, in the long run, there would be no actual increase in the number of immigrants allowed in under our present laws. Moreover, the bill would give priority consideration to aliens whose skills are needed in this country or who are blood relatives of American citizens. It also would set up a number of special safeguards to reassure anybody reluctant to let in displaced persons on social, economic or other grounds.

It may be said of this measure that it contains too many restrictions. As a practical matter, however, it seems to steer a sound middle course between the extreme of not doing anything or of doing too little, and the extreme of proposing more than Congress actually will grant. Certainly, if something like it were adopted, the tragic plight of Europe's DPs would be greatly eased, and the United States would be living up to its responsibilities by doing at least as much as other nations in a joint effort to solve the problem. It is a problem that demands affirmative American action; there is no excuse for any further congressional delay.

After all, wholly apart from the compulsions of humanitarianism, common sense argues strongly for some such program as the one advocated by Mr. Fellows. By doing nothing, by letting the DPs languish in their bleak camps abroad, we are not merely being un-Christian toward them but are also continuing to burden ourselves with the costs of supporting them in Europe. There is plenty of room for them here. We need their skills, and they have qualities that will make them excellent citizens. We ought to open our doors to them right now.

## The Moa, Yesterday and Today

It is a good idea to go slow in appraising the plausibility of recent reports from the South about a gigantic bird that is alleged to have been cutting capers in the Dixie skies. This particular bird was described as being larger than any ever before seen by man. This statement should have been qualified. For only a few days later the newspapers told about the discovery in New Zealand of the bones of a monstrous bird that was ten feet tall and that weighed at least a quarter of a ton.

The New Zealand bird, known as a moa, lived in comparatively modern times, according to Dr. Robert Cushman Murphy of the American Museum of Natural History. He found bones of an older specimen in a swamp. He is bringing them to the museum for study and exhibition. Although the last of the moas presumably was eaten by New Zealand natives some six hundred years ago, who can prove that some of them did not escape destruction? Might they not have taken refuge in some hitherto unexplored part of the world (there are still a few of these places in jungle, desert and polar regions)?

At least, the big bird tales have more of a scientific basis than those flying saucers which were getting news headlines last year, or the sea serpents which will begin to appear again this summer. The Museum of Natural History has yet to find fragments of a flying saucer or the skeleton of a sea serpent.

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It's only long habit that makes the candidate promise aid to farmers now so wealthy they pay in money for subscriptions to weekly newspapers.

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What's the first-aid procedure for one trampled on in a rush—as in the case of the winner of a house in an Eastern contest, who already owns a house?

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For faster action, on such powder kegs as Berlin, Joe Stalin could of course switch from the traditional pipe to the exploding cigar.

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As between words, John L. Lewis leans always to the longer, and when the court pointed, he is supposed to have blurted "Whom? Me?"

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# This and That

*By Charles E. Tracewell*

"FARRAGUT MEDICAL BUILDING.

"Dear Sir:

"On a recent trip through the Isle of Jamaica, where the climate permits practically all of the meals to be served out of doors, I was much impressed with the friendly conduct of a large black bird which I assumed to be our common grackle. The yellow eye, black iridescent coloring and curved beak seemed to me to be typical. I did note, however, that some of the birds seemed to have a more or less bronze spot on the throat and upper chest. Isn't this probably the boat-tailed grackle so commonly seen in Florida and on the Gulf Coast? These birds did seem to be somewhat larger than the common grackle we see here.

"At several places on the Island whenever the gong announced a meal was served, these birds would immediately be in evidence, flying down and alighting on the porch rail or chair backs and even occasionally landing squarely on the table at which people were eating to steal bread from the bread trays.

"The mongoose which was imported into the Island in the 1870s to eradicate the snakes is seen scurrying across the roads in front of the cars very much as our squirrels do here, although the drivers say that they are very seldom run over. So successfully have they exterminated the snakes that the last live snake was reported to have been seen about 20 years ago.

"Lizards of all sizes and hues still, however, are very abundant and probably have been saved from extermination by their more aboreal habits. It is difficult to see why the mongoose should enjoy eating snakes and refuse to make a meal off a lizard. Local bird lovers seemed to be apprehensive, however, about the inroads the mongooses are making on nesting birds and poultry. To keep them under control, the natives have developed by careful breeding a small dog with a very long pointed muzzle which is trained to stick his nose into the burrow. The mongoose promptly fastens his teeth in the dog's lips, and when the latter naturally jumps back to get away from this punishment, the mongoose is dragged out with him where he can be effectively dealt with.

"Sincerely yours, P. W., M.D."

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The sly ways of the mongoose have endeared it to the natives of Jamaica and of some of the other nearby islands.

"Sly Mongoose," in fact, is the name of the most popular folksong of the Island.

That this viverrine animal has become a nuisance is not to be wondered at; such is the usual fate of imported creatures.

The common sparrow and the starling are other instances.

Mongooses are doing damage to poultry in Jamaica, but probably other creatures do even more.

The viverrine animals include the civet cat, as well as the famous "fishing cat," often called the viverrine cat.

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The boat-tailed grackle is sometimes called jackdaw in the South, but it is no jackdaw, of course but a totally different bird.

It is 16 inches long, in contrast to the 12½ inches of the purple grackle.

The boat-tail has two distinguishing traits. One is that the female precedes the male in the trip North.

Another is that the male deserts the female, once incubation starts, and gathers with other males who have been equally untrue.

The mother birds protect, feed and train the young, and with them finally join the males again.

The nests are placed in colonies in reeds among swamps, but not in the water, of course; some nests are individualistic, put in trees, sometimes as high as 40 feet.

The nest is large, coated with mud, and holds three to five brown eggs, tinted with green, and irregularly blotched with brown and black.

# Letters to The Star

*Letters for publication must bear the signature and address of the writer, although it is permissible for a writer known to The Star to use a nom de plume. Please be brief.*

### Farmer's Economic Plight

To the Editor of The Star:

I read with a great deal of interest an article appearing in The Star for April 10 in which M. V. Davison, manager of National Dairy Products Corp.'s Washington branch, dealt very carelessly with the farmer's money in suggesting a reduction of one cent a quart in milk prices, and I could not help but wonder why he did not make his liberal offer from the funds of his corporation whose earnings have reached staggering proportions and from which could be extracted one cent a quart with far less hardship than if taken from the farmer.

Incidentally, I wonder why a great institution like The Star will play up such underhanded tactics as that proposed by the National Dairy Products Corp. without a rather thorough investigation of where reductions or increases should be allowed or tolerated. Is it an effort to maintain the highest possible average income to city people at the expense of farmers without stopping to realize that the adequate purchasing power of farmers is all important to a healthy economy?

According to the 1945 census, the average farmer in Montgomery County had a total income of $3,900 including proper allowance for what they got from the farm in the way of living costs. The same census report said Montgomery County farmers enjoyed the highest standard of living in the Nation. Compare this figure with the income of milk truck drivers and see if their income is not higher than this figure. The driver had no operating costs, but the farmer had to finance his holdings, hire at least one laborer, buy feed, fertilizer, lime, grass seed, machinery and pay taxes and maintain properties out of $3,900 income.

I ask you: How much was left for the family after the cost of operating a farm was taken out?

Why should the farmer's family get up at 3 o'clock in the morning and work until late at night producing the world's most needed food, if their only reward is poverty?

W. LAWSON KING.

### Mr. Lawrence Criticized

To the Editor of The Star:

Again and again I've wanted to squawk about your columnist, David Lawrence, only, until now, I've been too lazy.

I am disgusted with his bad reporting. Hardly a week passes without his coming to a phony conclusion based on half-information. Today's (April 12) column takes the cake. Brother Lawrence talks about the wicked Army spreading union propaganda ("Is the Army trying to cuddle up to the big labor unions * * *?"). It so happens that my nephew sends me his copy of "Army Talk" each week. And a very fine job it is. The Army tries to get men to discuss current issues and think. That's the difference between the United States and a totalitarian power. We have an Army of men who know what is happening in their country and who will argue the pros and cons among themselves. They know what they may someday have to fight for.

E. P. D.

### Communist Doctrine Stated

To the Editor of The Star:

There are some basic principles of Soviet Russia's doctrine with which every American should become familiar.

The Communist Party is the sole ruling party and no organized resistance is allowed. Stalin stated in Pravda that in the Soviet Union there is a basis only for the Communist Party.

Stalin often is addressed in words of servile flattery, and he may not be publicly criticized in any manner.

"Every Soviet family, school or political organization is in duty bound to instill in the Soviet youth from the earliest age those qualities necessary to the Red soldier: Military spirit, a love of war, endurance, self-reliance, and boundless loyalty." This is a direct quotation from Komsomolskaya Pravda, which is the official organ of the Soviet Union of Communist Youth.

The government of the Soviet Union controls all means of production and labor, and also all banks and stores.

Every Soviet citizen is taught only the ideas indorsed by the Communist Party. The government completely controls the press, schools, radio, movies, and the theater. The military police have the power to arrest, hold any one indefinitely, and banish without public trial. There is no protection against false arrest.

Political opponents have been sent to concentration camps since the early years of the Soviet regime. At the present time, these camps contain about 10,000,000 people, including civilian deportees, non-Russians and war prisoners.

The Communist Party tries to create suspicion against foreign countries. Very few foreigners are allowed to enter Soviet Russia and newspapermen who are admitted are liable to strict censorship. The people are not permitted to read any foreign newspapers, magazines or political books; and they are completely isolated from the rest of the world.

Stalin wrote the following doctrine of Socialist, i.e. Communist, internationalism in "Problems of Leninism": "The victory of socialism in one country is not an end in itself; it must be looked upon as a support to hasten the revolution in every other land."

One of the most important duties of Communists in every country is to work to overthrow their governments by lawful or unlawful means. This has been stressed by the Communist International; and Communists throughout the world have worked as a fifth column for Soviet expansion.

By studying every phase of communism and exposing the evils of this doctrine, the American people can help to save our democracy.

Syracuse, N. Y. ALICE HANCHETT.

### Trouble Caused by Poverty, Ignorance

To the Editor of The Star:

I almost fear to look at the calendar. Our civilization is aging rapidly, and each one of us along with it. This current week (April 11-18) seems destined to settle the destiny of our democratic way of life. At the beginning of the week Colombia gave us a demonstration of unbridled human passions. What will Italy do at the end of the week, when her voters go to the polls next Sunday?

It is disconcerting that the Inter-American Conference of Bogota, headed by Secretary of State Marshall, should be so rudely interrupted. This only increases the tension developing throughout the world.

But what is especially shocking is that Colombian mobs, according to press dispatches, paid no respect to churches or religious properties. Having lived in Latin countries of Europe, and in Central and South America, I from time to time have experienced the effects of revolutionary upheavals. But the pattern of this Colombian revolt, as reported, was entirely different—it had all the earmarks of a far more excitable character.

A little background about Colombia might be enlightening to the readers of The Star. Colombia broke from Catholic Spain in 1819 when Liberator Bolivar created the Republic of Colombia. In 1903 the state of Panama seceded from Colombia, and the United States constructed the Panama Canal through the Isthmus.

It is no secret that the state religion of most Latin American countries is Roman Catholic, but in 11 countries, out of 20, there is separation of church and state, and for the main part there is civil liberty and freedom of religion. But, strangely enough, the Catholic religion is not professed in Colombia, or the other lands, as it is here in America, where the Holy Scriptures are more widely known. The common people are left in ignorance of the real issue of moral and spiritual life; in fact, the extent of this condition is so great that the director of the Bogota Public Library recently said to a friend:

"It is time that the breezes of the Reformation which have delayed so many centuries in crossing the Atlantic, should blow this way. Some sections of our countries still struggle along lines of the 16th century."

Other serious problems also confront the rest of Latin America today. Here is the viewpoint of Gabriela Mistral, famous Chilean author: "Supposing that Protestant missions and their social service activities could be suppressed, either rapidly or gradually, I fear that, little by little, an atmosphere of resentment and finally of hatred for Catholicism would be engendered. It is outstandingly true that liberty alone conciliates, placates and calms."

Based on this and similar opinions of Latin American leaders, and on our personal knowledge of conditions in South America, we safely can say that conditions are favorable to the spread of atheism (an acquired revulsion toward religion through centuries of Spanish oppression) or, more specifically, of communism.

Communism finds a fertile field among the working classes. There is hardly any middle class.

CHARLES ALLEN RENTFRO.

### Inquiries About Intelligence Service

To the Editor of The Star:

A few years ago the people of the United States were told that the Government would develop and maintain the finest and most elaborate intelligence service in the world. We were assured that we would not have to fear another "Pearl Harbor" or be infested with a spy ring such as was uncovered in Canada. With such assurances, the people looked forward to the Pan American Conference, which was to plan the future safety and prosperity of this part of the world.

Our top officials planned for months so as to assure the success of the conference. Many of our most important officials, headed by Secretary of State George C. Marshall, attended the conference. The conference was afforded the greatest publicity possible.

But where, oh where, was our intelligence service? One commentator, on last Sunday evening, stated that the investigation had been taken out of the hands of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, but did not say to what unit it had been delegated.

When our President visits foreign countries, our services co-operate with the proper parties in those countries to afford him protection.

The people are entitled to know why another "Pearl Harbor" occurred at Bogota. What can we expect in the future? Are our intelligence units crippled by dual control or have they just decayed, like our air forces?

JOHN F. HILLYARD.

### Progressive Party Protest

To the Editor of The Star:

While welcoming the appearance of your reporter, John V. Horner, at our meeting on April 2, we wish to call your attention to two inaccuracies published in his story in The Star of April 3.

First, it was not a "widely publicized meeting" as Mr. Horner stated. To include that statement in his report is to infer that the turnout was negligible. If it is your practice to include attendance figures in accounts of meetings, will you kindly do so in reports of civic federation groups, alongside of their resolutions condemning civil rights and upholding restrictive covenants and segregation?

Finally, Mr. Horner, closing his article, quotes a Mr. "Yalski" as a "fighting Yugoslav." What Mr. Horner did was to take two separate remarks of this particular speaker (over an hour and several points on the order of business occurred between the first and second parts of Mr. Horner's quotation) and combine them so as to imply some sort of anti-American influence. Had your reporter checked his information with that particular member or the officers present, he would not have misspelled that person's name, and would have found him to be a native-born American citizen.

Between now and the elections The Star will undoubtedly cover a good share of the Progressive Party's forums and meetings. You will find our officers and membership friendly and co-operative, but at the same time insistent that press coverage be objective and fair.

S. A. ABBOTT,
Press Committee, Progressive Party of Maryland.

Editor's Note: In view of the publicity given the meeting to which Mr. Abbott refers, The Star felt that it was pertinent to report that it was attended by 21 persons. The misspelling of Mr. Yalsik's name is regretted.

### Another Member of AAUW

To the Editor of The Star:

I accuse Ruth Voris Lyons of misrepresenting facts in her letter regarding the controversy at the University Women's Club. She claims that there are 200 women who have worked steadily in support of the policy of the National Board. Later she claims that 30 to 40 per cent of the membership have supported every crucial vote in favor of the parent organization. There are 1,050 members of the Washington branch. Is 200, 30 or 40 per cent of the membership of 1,050? I think not!

I object to her term "parent organization." I didn't know that the central body was a parent organization or that it stood in loco parentis to the branches. I always thought that in a democracy the central body existed to do the will of the branches, not to be served by them. This group of 200 evidently believes in the tail wagging the dog.

Mrs. Lyons claims that the majority wish to operate the club as a social club. I am acquainted with her and with her 200, and I can truthfully say that I have never seen any people enjoy the dining-room service more than this group does. Yet I see them sitting around night after night in our spacious parlors hatching up the Lord only knows what, against the branch.

Mrs. Lyons speaks of the noble aspirations and accomplishments of this crowd. If they have accomplished anything other than assiduously stirring up minority groups, I certainly would like to know what it is. All I have ever heard from them is talk.

LAURA K. POLLOCK,
Eighteen years a member of the AAUW.

### Family Housing Dilemma

To the Editor of The Star:

Does anyone have a solution to the housing problem? I'm referring now to housing for children. Many, like myself, have been asked to pay outrageous rents in order to give our children homes. Tell me, though, what veteran on-the-job trainee can pay $100 a month and still feed a family of four adequately? We're willing to live in a cabin as long as there's electricity in it and it is within commuting distance of my job.

ROBERT ENGLAND.

*Stars, Men and Atoms*

# Soviet Atomic Development Is Widely Debated in U.S.

## Little Known Except that Russia Started Late, Faces Problems

*By Thomas R. Henry*

Has Russia an atomic bomb?

Any answer to this question, asked on every hand, can only be purely speculative—unless, of course, the armed services have specific confidential information.

Production of an atomic bomb depends on two major factors: Knowledge of the basic scientific principles involved and industrial capacity. Respecting the first, it is the consensus of Washington scientists, including several who were involved in production of the first atomic bomb, that there is a possible chance that the Russians have gotten over the hurdles.

Opinions vary widely, largely over the ability of Russian scientists. One eminent physicist has been quoted as saying that if he had the job of making such a bomb, starting from scratch, he would prefer to have a team of Russian scientists and American engineers. Others, however, have quite a low opinion of Russian capacities in this particular line—the relatively new science of nuclear physics.

First, it is pointed out, at least 85 per cent of the "secret" was revealed when the first bomb was dropped. The celebrated Smythe report did little more than amplify details which any one even superficially familiar with the subject would have suspected. To a nuclear physicist anywhere, it was immediately apparent that some one of a quite limited number of ways must have been taken. It would not have been too difficult to have eliminated the less feasible techniques.

**Wartime Work Is Known.**

The outstanding physicists of Russia and their work up to the end of the war are fairly well known here. First among them stands Dr. Peter Kapitza. English trained, he is unquestionably one of the world's great physicists, but all his major work had been in the fields of extremely low temperatures and magnetism. There is no evidence from any of his publications that Dr. Kapitza had given any particular attention to the physics of the atomic nucleus.

It is not something which can be followed as a sideline. Dr. Kapitza doubtless had a general familiarity with the subject equal to that of an average physics professor in an American college. The same is true of Russia's next best known physicist, Prof. Joffe. He had no special training, and had done no notable work in nuclear reactions. In fact, Russia is not known to have had any particularly eminent man specializing in this field.

Russia has many brilliant young physicists. But if there were no older men to train them, together with apparent almost complete lack of essential laboratory equipment, it is highly doubtful if any of them were well versed at the end of the war in probably the most difficult specialized field in all science. This is not denying that some of them may have made rapid progress once they were started in the right direction.

Russia, it is known, took over some of Germany's best-known scientists after the war. These men were given attractive offers to insure their enthusiastic co-operation. But not one of them was among the prominent known nuclear physicists of Germany. They had specialized in other lines. Their knowledge of the atomic nucleus was general and it would take them some time to become experts.

**Results Were Published.**

Russia, of course, became interested in atomic fission as soon as the first news of it came from Washington in January, 1939. But neither here nor there was the possibility of an atomic bomb seen clearly. For some time there was no bar on complete publication of results in the United States and it is unlikely that there was any secrecy in Russia.

The Russian work—so far as is known from anything published—dealt entirely with developing means of separating the supposedly essential isotope of uranium, U 235, from ordinary uranium by means of the thermal diffusion process. This required getting uranium in the form of a gas, uranium fluoride, one of the most corrosive substances in existence. In this line their work was quite good, although they actually made no better progress than was being made in the United States.

This is the picture previous to August 6, 1945. That the Russians were keeping something back is quite improbable.

There is every reason to believe that news of the atomic bomb was as much of a surprise to the Russians as to the rest of the world. There also can be little doubt that they started work immediately to learn the approximately 15 per cent of the necessary information. Much time must have been spent in pure organization, in getting the right people to work on the right jobs. This is especially true in light of the known paucity of nuclear physicists.

At least up to 1942 there was only one cyclotron in Russia. This was so poorly built and inefficient that even some Russians said it probably had been built as a joke.

**Problems Take Time.**

Now, this last 15 per cent of the road, according to Washington physicists, had a lot of hurdles. There were none which could not be crossed by teams of competent nuclear physicists. But, unless there were a series of unbelievably fortunate accidents, all this would take time and several of the bombs were almost certain to turn out "duds." In view of the techniques which probably would be followed, however, there is little probability of a serious accident, a premature explosion which would fill the atmosphere with radioactive particles which could be detected on Geiger counters and create shock waves in the earth which would be recorded by seismographs.

Admittedly a great deal might be accomplished in almost three years and the Russian scientific mind is quite brilliant.

Perhaps they have something even better. This is seriously doubted by Washington physicists, however.

The picture thus stands that Russians were late in starting, they began with an inadequate number of competent nuclear physicists, and were bound to make many mistakes before they got on the right road.

The second phase is that of engineering—actually producing bombs in quantity after the scientific principles were clear. This would have been a difficult, but far from impossible, job for Russian engineers. It largely depends on how free a hand they have been given and how much money they have been allowed.

It generally is agreed that if Russia has the scientific data necessary for building a bomb, its attainment is relatively recent. Nobody will say, however, that its possession is impossible, or even highly improbable.

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## The Symptoms Are the Same

Washington music lovers join with those of New York and elsewhere in deploring the apparent death of that veritable national institution, the Metropolitan Opera. Washingtonians can sympathize heartily with Manhattan in the cultural tragedy which has befallen it, for they face the continuing threat here of a somewhat similar misfortune. There is no blinking the fact that our own famed institution, the Water Gate concerts of the National Symphony Orchestra, is afflicted with the same sort of financial troubles that have caused the calling off of the 1948-49 Metropolitan season.

Metropolitan officials regretfully explained that a mounting deficit and wage and other demands involving higher costs of production have left them no reasonable alternative but to close up shop for good. They said their decision, reached reluctantly after long consideration of past deficits and the prospect of greater ones in the future, is final. The Met played to packed houses the past season, yet it reported a $220,000 deficit for the period. Losses in the past have been made up by donations from private citizens, but the deficits have continued to grow.

The ills which have proved fatal to the Metropolitan—barring some unforeseen resuscitation miracle—are grimly like those which for some time past have plagued the Water Gate concerts. Except for 1945, there have been deficits for every one of the ten years during which these colorful and popular events have been offered. Deficits prior to 1947 averaged $5,400. Last year the loss jumped to $27,600. This year only the public-spirited action of a group of citizens and organizations in underwriting the concerts to the extent of $15,000 enabled Washington to enjoy the series again. The underwriting plan was sponsored by the Board of Trade.

Hope had been held out that, given good weather and barring unexpected complications, the concerts this summer would pay their own way. But this hope was not fulfilled. Despite generally favorable conditions, another deficit, the size of which has not as yet been disclosed, has been incurred, and those who underwrote the series stand to bear the loss. But it is manifestly unfair for any small group to have to assume the financial burden of an undertaking which the whole community enjoys and should support.

The Water Gate concerts can no more survive under such circumstances than can the Metropolitan Opera Company. What has happened in New York is certain to happen to the symphony series on the banks of the Potomac unless the people of Washington are willing to give it more substantial and effective support, through reservations or contributions or otherwise.

## Arab DPs in Palestine

This seems to be the era of the displaced person. One of the most tragic aspects of our troubled time is the way large groups of people are dispossessed from their ancestral homes in consequence of shifting frontiers or other political considerations. Nothing like it has been known since Europe's wars of religion some centuries ago, when the dominant creed could not tolerate the presence of those professing the rival faith. But today's standards are even more inexorable. In the old days, conversion could avert expulsion. Now, unwanted elements can in no way expunge their incompatibility. Knowing this, the unwanted often seek to escape harsh measures in store for them by flight into voluntary exile.

Of all this, Palestine offers a peculiarly poignant example. Small though the country is, Jews and Arabs have lived much intermingled. The spreading pattern of Jewish settlement had everywhere left large Arab enclaves, totaling fully one-third of the population in the areas designated as under Israeli jurisdiction. When fighting broke out, these Arabs fled en masse into the territories controlled by their coreligionists, the mass-migration running to between 250,000 and 300,000. Having been unable to take with them more than a few personal possessions in their hasty flight, they are today destitute, subsisting on the charity of their hosts and unable for the most part to make a new start in life.

The plight of these refugees is a pressing problem, and Count Folke Bernadotte, United Nations mediator for Palestine, has urged the Security Council to affirm their right to return to their homes in Israeli-controlled areas. But the Israeli government has refused to discuss their return in large numbers except as part of a lasting over-all peace settlement. The Israeli reply to Count Bernadotte's suggestion stresses the security objections and the economic difficulties involved. But the reply likewise indicates that the Israeli leaders view the removal of the Arab minority as an accomplished fact which they have no wish to see undone. As they put it: "The Palestine Arab exodus was one of the cataclysmic phenomena which, according to the experience of other countries, change the course of history."

It is interesting to observe how the spokesmen of Israel, a state built up largely by refugees, seemingly accept the DP method of solving minority problems. But it is most unlikely that the Arabs, in or out of Palestine, will acquiesce in this solution. The Arab DPs thus remain as a major stumbling block to a genuine settlement of the Palestinian problem.

## Mr. Crump's Memphis Blues

That moaning sound from the South is not the summer breeze blowing through the old plantation houses along the Mississippi. It is a new version of the Memphis Blues emanating from the trembling, battle-scarred headquarters of the Crump machine. For what Tennesseeans had thought was impossible has happened in Memphis. Veteran Political Boss Ed Crump, iron-handed but benevolent dictator of Tennessee politics for many years, has suffered a major defeat.

Climaxing a bitter Democratic primary campaign in which charges, counter-charges, challenges and counter-challenges filled the air like flying saucers, Mr. Crump's candidates for the United States Senate and for Governor have been rejected by the voters. That sort of thing is not supposed to be done in Tennessee; at least nothing like it has occurred for two decades. But something happened to the machine this year. It failed to roll with its old steam-roller invincibility.

So a majority of the Democrats of Tennessee, for the first time in twenty years, have done their own picking of candidates in open defiance of the "Boss." They chose for the Senate the Crump-denounced Representative Estes Kefauver instead of the Crump-indorsed Judge John A. Mitchell. Judge Mitchell ran a poor third. Incumbent Senator Stewart was second. For Governor they nominated Gordon Browning over Mr. Crump's selection, incumbent Governor McCord. Both Representative Kefauver and Mr. Browning piled up big votes in Mr. Crump's own Shelby County.

Tennessee politics being what they are, it is difficult for persons far removed from the scene to explain the reason for Mr. Crump's double upset. It may be that even some of the Crump followers could not go along with their leader in the campaign which he directed at Mr. Kefauver. Mr. Crump charged that the Representative had leftist leanings—that his voting record against communism was "bad." Ardently supporting Mr. Kefauver was the Memphis Press-Scimitar, whose editor was challenged by Mr. Crump to agree that one of them would leave town, depending on whether the Crump charges were proved true or false. The showdown never came, but the voters apparently settled the issue of the charges for themselves.

Ordinarily nomination on the Democratic ticket is tantamount to election in Tennessee, but the split in the Crump organization could cause trouble for the Democrats. Opposing Representative Kefauver for the Senate will be Carroll Reece, former chairman of the Republican National Committee. Mr. Reece has expressed the belief that Mr. Crump would support him if his own candidate were defeated. That remains to be determined. But there can be no doubt that a political revolution of some sort is under way in Mr. Crump's State. It is yet too early to predict what the outcome of this shakeup may be in November.

## Cyprus, Britain and Greece

The British government's announced displeasure at statements of King Paul of Greece on the subject of Cyprus brings to the fore an issue which, while not crucial, has tended to becloud Anglo-Hellenic relations for nearly half a century.

Cyprus, the large wedge-shaped island lying in the Eastern Mediterranean in the bight of sea between Asia Minor and Syria, has from time immemorial been of high strategic importance, as a glance at the map will show. It has likewise been racially and culturally part of the Hellenic world since ancient times. Though conquered by the Turks in the sixteenth century, it remained basically Greek in language and Orthodox in religion, despite the existence of a Turkish-feeling Moslem minority which today numbers about 20 per cent of the total population.

Cyprus' connection with Britain dates from the diplomatic crisis of 1877-78, when the British threatened war against Russia to protect the Ottoman Empire which the Russians had just decisively defeated. In order to give the British forces an adequate base for contingent action, the Sultan gave Britain administrative control over the island. The crisis passed, but the British stayed on, and when Turkey joined the Central Powers in World War I Britain proclaimed Cyprus' annexation to the empire.

This action offended Greek nationalism, which had long earmarked Cyprus for inclusion with modern Greece, along with the Aegean Isles and Crete, whose annexation to Greece had been effected a decade earlier. That goal was very nearly attained a year later. In 1915, Britain, then meditating its attack on the Dardanelles, was eager to get Greece in the war on its side. Accordingly, it offered Cyprus as the price. But the offer was turned down by the government of King Constantine, who wished to keep his country neutral. When, in 1916, an Anglo-French intervention in Greece forced Constantine from his throne and compelled Greece to join the Allies anyway, the Cyprus offer was not renewed.

This near miss has been deplored, alike by the Greek people and by the Orthodox majority in Cyprus. But meanwhile, Cyprus has become steadily more vital to Britain as a strategic base, and the British government has left no doubt that imperial interests require its retention, regardless of Greek nationalistic aspirations. Under these circumstances, when King Paul gave an interview to a prominent American newspaperman and suggested the cession of Cyprus to Greece in return for a grant of naval and air bases to Britain both there and in Crete, it did not set well with Downing Street. A few days later, the British charge d'affaires in Athens called on the heads of the Greek government and made "strong representations" on the subject of the King's interview.

Although most of the Greek press had applauded Paul's suggestion, the British reaction has left the Greek government in a somewhat embarrassing situation. Under strict parliamentary theory, it is responsible for the King's every action and statement. But this is obviously no time for Greece, dependent as it is on Anglo-American support, to raise the controversial Cyprus issue, and it is hard to imagine that the Sophoulis government would have prompted Paul to give that interview. The affair will presumably be passed over as a personal indiscretion of the monarch. But Britain has made its position on Cyprus known in a manner that admits of no further misinterpretation and should not excite further Hellenic nationalistic agitation, at least for the immediate future.

## Yorktown Field

Surrender Field at Yorktown has become a property of the Nation. It recently was purchased by the National Park Service and will be added to the reservation known as Colonial National Historical Park. The area of the ground is about thirteen acres, and the cost was $5,250.

John Trumbull's painting in the Capitol shows the scene approximately as it was on October 19, 1781. Lord Cornwallis, commanding the British forces, had followed the Americans under Lafayette north from Wilmington. Pending an answer to a futile appeal to Sir Henry Clinton to abandon New York and concentrate on Virginia, he moved down the Peninsula toward the sea. Williamsburg was a convenient place for him to rest awhile, but when Lafayette was reinforced by Baron Steuben he fell back to Yorktown, then a community of some four hundred residents occupying sixty houses. On August 31 Admiral de Grasse arrived in the bay with a strong squadron of French ships and three thousand fresh soldiers. Thus Cornwallis was trapped. Washington took over the business of forcing his capitulation on September 14. The first parallel of works was opened by General Benjamin Lincoln on October 6, the second by Steuben on October 11. Then two British redoubts were carried by storm by the American and French troops under Alexander Hamilton on October 14. Cornwallis attempted to escape over the York River on October 16, but a storm prevented success. He asked for terms the next day, and the war was over.

The Trumbull picture features General Lincoln on horseback in the center. He had been named to receive Cornwallis' sword because he himself had been humiliated at Charleston. Washington, Lafayette, De Grasse, Rochambeau, Hamilton, Steuben, Anthony Wayne, Henry Knox and other leading characters in the drama are portrayed as secondary figures. Cornwallis does not appear in the composition. Too ill to attend, he sent his only officer of suitable rank—a General O'Hara—to offer the traditional token of surrender. Rupert Hughes says the sword was accepted only symbolically.

Not much of military significance remains on the field to commemorate the pageant staged there one hundred and sixty-seven years ago; but the site ought to belong to the Nation and now it does.

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Always, in his photo, the head commie in the satellite state looks like a man who lives in a haunted house, as he more or less does.

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Something new in the labor-relations picture is a strike of plumbers at Kitchener, Ontario, and a picket who had to go back for his placard.

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In London, the Olympic games include just about everything of an athletic nature except Bernard Shaw, at 92, outstaying the actuaries.

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## This and That

*By Charles E. Tracewell*

An elevator is a good place to find out things. Oh, almost anything.

The other day, a caller brought in a queer looking natural object.

It was about an inch in diameter, somewhat resembling a small apple.

"What is it?" he asked.

Looking at the thing critically, we at last gave it up.

It was one of the things one should know, but didn't.

In this world, that is always perplexing.

To realize one should know something, but doesn't. Some people try to get out of it by bluffing.

That not being a good way, we said we didn't know, but would soon find out.

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And we did, not by calling up some "expert," not by going to the encyclopedia.

No, there was an easier and a quicker way.

We simply went to the elevator shaft, rang the bell, and got in.

Holding out the queer object to the first person inside the door, we asked:

"What is this thing?"

The man took it, studied it for a second, and then looked up smiling.

"This thing," he said, "is an oak apple. It gives me pleasure to be able to tell you something."

"Thanks," we said.

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Oak apple it was, sure enough.

These "apples," so called, resembling when small a cross between an apple and an onion, present a mottled appearance to the world.

There seem to be scales, but they are not scales, but just a resemblance to them, caused by the red liquid within.

There is no nut nor other formation inside, but just this tough red pulp, exuding a liquor somewhat like that given off by poke berries.

This apple is a disease, caused by the stings of certain gallflies.

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Knowledge is, then, where you find it.

And that, folks, is a very happy affair.

Today too many of us are awed by experts. We want to believe that some one else knows more than we do. If he writes twice about the same thing, we tend to exalt him into the expert class.

No doubt this has its good points, but the main point is that no one person can know everything, and happy is he who admits it.

It always is possible to find knowledge in odd places.

The least unlikely spot—as an elevator—comes up with just what one wants to know, without the trouble of turning a page or taking a telephone off the hook.

So always ask questions.

It is the one best way to find out things. Yet between this simple expedient and what one wants to know often lies a silly pride.

We do not want to ask another because we do not want him to know that we, forsooth, do not know! As if any one person could, really, know it all!

Pride not only goes before a fall, but too often it prevents one from finding out.

Just ask questions, plenty of them.

Ask anybody, sometimes you will be surprised. There are loose in the land today millions of really precocious children, who have stored up an amazing amount of information, most of it solid

Ask them.

Ask the famous "man on the street." That fellow often surprises you by what he knows. This old chap (with tobacco-stained fingers) has ideas about art and music; and amazingly enough often they are very good ideas.

When you want to know something, ask the next person you meet.

If he is in an elevator, all the better, evidently.

# Letters to The Star

*Letters for publication must bear the signature and address of the writer, although it is permissible for a writer known to The Star to use a nom de plume. Please be brief.*

### 'Soft' With Criminals

To the Editor of The Star:

Andrew W. Larman's letter of August 3 on the subject of "Crime and Punishment" was excellent. If offenders knew that a sentence of ten years actually meant ten years they might consider before they proceeded.

The men on the Pardon and Parole Board in Maryland are political appointees and not men whose training makes them capable to judge criminals. It should be a serious step when Governor Lane approves their recommendations. He gave 29 Christmas pardons one year.

We are getting very soft, I fear, in dealing with criminals.

I can see no reason for pardoning a sex offender, not unless he has been rendered harmless.

PAT ROBBINS.

### Annoyed by Southerners

To the Editor of The Star:

For many years I have been just mildly annoyed by the actions of Southerners—their forgetting that the Civil War is over and that they lost. I wonder if they ever will accept facts that the rest of this great country accepted when it accepted the Bill of Rights, giving all men the right to "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." The South seems to have no respect for the Constitution. Does it have any respect for the Bible? Does it refuse to believe that God created all men to be equal?

Right now I am more than just mildly annoyed. The action of the Southern delegates at the recent Democratic convention was inexcusable. Harry Truman did his duty as President of the United States by fighting for civil rights. So the Southerners waved their Dixie flag; and, like children when the game isn't being played their way, walked out. One wonders if the people of the South ever will stop shouting about their "rights as Southerners" and remember that they are first of all Americans. When will they start acting like Americans?

YANKEE.

### District Again a Victim

To the Editor of The Star:

The present financial trouble of the District of Columbia is a pointed example of why local self-government is an urgent necessity. It is highly improbable that this deadlock would have developed under a local government as proposed in the District Charter Bill now before Congress. Under the provisions of this bill Congress must act on tax legislation proposed by the City Council; such legislation would be approved or disapproved, but not subject to filibuster.

Now, with the special session of Congress drawing to a close, it appears that lack of time is again to be offered as an excuse for taking no action on legislation to care for the District's financial needs. Since these needs were earlier presented to the Congress in regular session it is hard to escape the idea that the people of the District are to suffer further injustice because of present political rivalry.

GRACE H. THOMAS,
President, Voteless D. C. League of Women Voters.

### Closing of the National

To the Editor of The Star:

The closing of the National Theater shows once again how, under our legal and social system, a tiny minority can impose its will on a social group thousands of times larger than itself.

I want to suggest a way to avoid such situations in the future.

It long has been a principle of law that a legal right may not be exercised for the sole purpose of causing injury to another. Let us recognize a companion principle: A legal right may not be exercised by a minority for the sole purpose of forcing its will upon the majority.

ELMER H. KREBBIEL.

### Republicans Lectured

To the Editor of The Star:

There has been encouraging confirmation of late of the partial passing of the plan, entertained by some Republicans in Congress, to make the present session of Congress a failure in order, among other political purposes, to prove that the President was not justified in having called it. This would not only have been a choice bit of non sequitur but would have been damaging to the Republican party and harmful to the public welfare.

The convening of the special session afforded the Republicans a definite party opportunity. They could, if wise, strengthen the strong points in the party record and greatly repair the weak points; or they could elect to stand upon the theory that the President's summons was merely a political move, play politics themselves and choose, after making their record much worse, to stand upon it in November.

The former course would not only be sound statesmanship. It would be sound practical politics. Edmund Burke in his plea for Conciliation with America, said: "Magnanimity in politics is not seldom the truest wisdom.' If that was true in eighteenth century England, it is more notably true in America, with its constantly increasing proportion of independent voters, in the twentieth century.

The Republican managers are availing themselves of their opportunity only in part.

There are two chief weaknesses in their record which they were given a free chance to strengthen.

Much has been done by Chairmen Vandenberg and Eaton to remove the stigma of isolationism from the party. But it will be thrown up to Republican candidates that these leaders secured only partial Republican support for necessary measures of co-operation abroad and only under great difficulties, and that numerous party members have displayed isolationist views.

**Voters Will Not Forget.**

Voters will not be pemitted to forget that the "little group of willful men," who were responsible for keeping America out of the League of Nations and, though unintentionally, for causing the Nazis to believe that this Nation would not fight or would go in too late, were chiefly Republican Senators. Voters will be reminded that some Republican leaders now supporting our foreign policy are but late and hard-won converts.

The party has been afforded a fine chance to prove that its members really believe in a co-operative foreign policy, and to give proof of their practical adherence to the foreign policy plank in the Philadelphia platform. To the extent that the Republicans use this opportunity they will improve party strength at home and national prestige abroad.

Secondly, Republican members of Congress might well seize an opportunity to improve their record as to vital domestic issues, especially inflation and housing. The record now shows too great Republican complaisance toward inflation, the special interests and the class of activities that led to the latest and longest depression, when prosperity hesitated "just around the corner" for so many months.

Whether Mr. Truman was influenced, when he reconvened Congress, primarily by desire to improve his election chances will not seem to the voters every material, if it appears that the party in control of Congress was at least equally swayed by politics in making the session largely abortive. And this will be particularly the case if the moves of the President seem to the people to have been in the public interest while the moves of the Republican majority seem obstructive of that interest.

The most cogent reason, however, for Republican co-operation at the special session is not politics but international relations.

The best chance to stave off the crisis now centering in Berlin seems to lie in convincing Moscow and our west-European friends of the truth, which inter-party bickering obscures, that an overwhelming proportion of our people supports the administration's foreign policy.

If Republican management in Congress encourages the Kremlin in its present apparent belief that American sentiment is hopelessly divided, that Congress and the executive cannot co-operate, that from now until January there will be American stalemate and Russian opportunity, real disaster will be made substantially more likely.

The truth is that America is far better informed and united than when she was precipitated into either World War. But the Soviets may discover, too late for all concerned, the fundamentals of American unity.

EUGENE W. BURR.

### Filibustering and Democracy

To the Editor of The Star.

Is this a democracy or isn't it?

We claim we live in a democracy—under majority rule. Yet it would appear that one Senator can thwart the will of the other 95 Senators. Is that majority rule?

Take the case of the poll tax: The majority of Senators favor its repeal. The Senators supporting the poll tax know they cannot win a vote in the Senate against repeal. So what did they do? They filibustered.

Isn't it about time the Senate changed its rules to prevent filibustering—endless and useless talk obviously for obstruction purposes only?

Filibustering is one man defeating the almost unanimous will of the majority. Isn't it about time we made democracy work and had majority rule?

FRANK RUSSELL.

### Heat Did Not Make Him a Red

To the Editor of The Star.

Reference is made to a letter in The Star of August 2 headed, "Heat Creating Communists?"

I worked in the Munitions Building from 1942 to 1945. Those were war years and as usual we had some pretty hot Washington weather. One summer I worked in a machine section. As you no doubt can guess, the machines added more heat to our already hot room. We were so busy working to win a war to save our Government, the finest in the world, that I'm sure I never heard a serious complaint about the heat from any of my fellow workers.

I thought of loyalty to my Government as a privilege and a moral obligation. It never occurred to me that my Government owed me anything because I was loyal to it, and for my work the Government paid me a salary. However, I felt and still feel I owe my Government everything, because, you see, I like free speech, press and radio, and the right to worship God, and the good old right to fight for what I believe to be right. For all this even heat exhaustion is no payment.

Heat will not make a Communist out of a sane American. Just think, a Communist in Russia would be shot for criticizing the Government. Here in the good, old U. S. A., we can criticize to our heart's content and even write letters that are published in our free press!

In this free country a person who doesn't like working in a Government office can resign with no fear of being shot the next day and "put on ice."

Turning Communist really would put the heat on you in this world and no doubt it would be still hotter when you reached the next.

My suggestion to the author of the letter printed August 2 is: Don't do it! See a doctor and have your head examined. T. P.

### Lesson of Tolerance

To the Editor of The Star:

I am a 17-year-old colored American. During my 17 years I have learned the lesson of tolerance. Today I have friends of various nationalities and races. The race, creed, color, or nationality of a person denotes nothing, except that he is a human being. Being human, he is entitled to be treated as such.

We all need to study the Bible and put into action the precepts therein. Where are the "so called" Christian people of this country? If there are any still around, then it is time for them to unite and fight the forces of evil and hatred. No true Christian would advocate unfair treatment of a person simply because he is of different race than his own. Real Christian men and women reject hate for brotherly love, segregation and discrimination for equality and justice, and they shun the advocates of anti-Christian, anti-American philosophies.

CARROLL GREEN, Jr.

### Air Show Applauded

To the Editor of The Star:

I should like to thank you for your part in sponsoring the National Capital Air Show. Even though I had a more difficult task to obtain the trophy rightfully mine than I did flying my planes, it was still a great show and all sponsors are to be highly commended.

ROBERT PERKINS.

### Corporation Profits Doubted

To the Editor of The Star:

In his radio address of July 31 Senator Taylor, running mate of Henry Wallace, referred to the "huge profits" of "armament manufacturers."

We defy Senator Taylor to produce specific evidence that legitimate corporations, whose stocks are listed on the various exchanges, made any greater percentage of profit from war material production than they make from peacetime production.

We exclude from this the fly-by-night corporations, which, through connections with the New Deal coterie, were enabled to wrangle lucrative contracts and fill the hidden pockets of a few. These people were not legitimate "armament manufacturers" but merely opportunists whose corporations disappeared after the close of hostilities.

We think that it is up to those who are always talking about the "fantastic profits" of corporations to show the public just what those profits are.

Examination of the reports of many of the leading corporations fails to show any undue profits and if such exist, they must be hidden, and some one, along the line, must have instituted some system of embezzlement which the auditors do not discover or else the auditors are dishonest.

People who listen to orators should not be misled by figures representing huge turnovers or gross receipts. The real test is: What do the people who have put money into the physical plant of a corporation get out of it? This return has been progressively diminishing for decades. It might also be brought out that the higher salaried executives and managers have to kick back the greater part of their remuneration in income taxes and the higher wages and salaries go, the greater the part that goes right back to the Government.

C. J. S.

*The Political Mill*

## Truman's Cry of 'Politics' Comes With Poor Grace

### President Should Give All Aid To Red Spy Ring Inquiry

*By Gould Lincoln*

It's Mr. Truman who's crying "politics" now. Nor does the cry come with good grace. The President, instead of giving all the aid he can to the congressional investigators who are turning up facts relating to a Communist spy ring and Communist infiltration into the Government, has declined to permit the congressional committees to see confidential reports in "loyalty" tests of some of the Government employes against whom charges have been made.

Mr. Truman has insisted that these Red investigations by the Republican-controlled Senate and House committees are merely an attempt by the Republicans to drag a "red herring" across the trail of the failure of the Congress to do the job for which he called Congress back to Washington.

**In Interest of Security.**

Admitting that the investigations have their political angle—since they are showing up the easy manner in which Communists either obtained help from Democratic sources or pulled the wool over the eys of the Democratic administration—there remains the fact that the investigations are in the interest of the national security of the American people.

The President cannot afford to have himself aligned against security measures of such grave import, not if he is to have any chance at winning the coming election. Yet unless he changes his tune, that is exactly the position into which he is working himself. It promises to become worse instead of better. He apparently is impaled on the horns of a dilemma. He feels, it seems from his actions, that it is necessary to deny that a Communist or Russian spy ring could operate with any degree of success in Washington, either during the administration of Franklin Delano Roosevelt or his own.

In view of the openly avowed intention of former Vice President Henry A. Wallace—now a candidate for President on the new Progressive Party ticket—to accept Communist support, it is easy to figure where Mr. Wallace's sympathies have been for a number of years. Mr. Wallace, with such feelings, became an easy mark for the Communist infiltrations. Further, he was for eight years Secretary of Agriculture, and during those years the fellow-travelers in his department were active. Then he became Vice President, and finally Secretary of Commerce.

**Taking Wallace's Side.**

Mr. Truman has no liking for Mr. Wallace and is doing all he can now to effect the political ruin of the former Vice President. Yet when Mr. Truman undertakes to ridicule the investigations of Communist activities within the Government he seemingly is taking the same side as Mr. Wallace.

When Mr. Truman called Congress back into special session—and made the announcement in the closing minutes of the Democratic National Convention—he was playing politics. It was a political gesture of the first water, indeed, by which he hoped to place the Republicans at a disadvantage. Now when the Republican members of Congress insist on opening up on the Red infiltration into Mr. Truman's own administration, Mr. Truman has suddenly no use for politics. He should recognize that if he undertakes to play politics, his opponents will do no less.

The Congress will adjourn without giving Mr. Truman the power to ration or to fix prices of goods. Those are the main proposals he has been urging against inflation. It's a good guess, however, that if Mr. Truman were given those powers and used them, he would find himself even more unpopular than he is today.

## Questions and Answers

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BY THE HASKIN SERVICE

Q. Which sea is the least salty?—M. V. E.

A. The Baltic Sea is the freshest of all seas, with only 7 parts of salt to 1,000 parts of water.

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Q. Was General Pershing ever retired?—V. O. R.

A. Although it has been stated that General Pershing never was retired, this is not accurate, according to the Department of the Army. General Pershing was carried on the Retired List of the Army from September 13, 1924, until his death. He enjoyed by law, however, full pay and allowances while in retirement.

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Q. Can bronze or aluminum paint be used to insulate a hot water tank?—B. W. C.

A. The National Bureau of Standards says that either bronze or aluminum paint would have some insulating effect if applied to the surface of a hot-water tank, but neither would be as effective as an inch or so of insulation of the mass type.

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Q. What was the first commercial use of nylon?—P. B. K.

A. The first commercial use of nylon was in tooth and hairbrush bristles. This was in 1938. Stockings of nylon came next.

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Q. What is the maximum speed at which a chimney swift travels?—W. B. W.

A. It is not exceptional for swifts to feed and travel at a rate of about 70 miles per hour, a speed that can be accelerated to 100 miles an hour at will. These small birds have exceedingly strong wings but weak feet. They fly tirelessly all day and seldom alight.

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Q. Are women admitted as students to Harvard Medical School?—C. M. W.

A. The Harvard Medical School reports that it admitted its first group of women students into the first year class of September, 1945, and there have been women students in all subsequent entering classes.

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Q. How soon after the President signs a bill does it become law? Is he the only person to sign it?—A. W. F.

A. The President's signature makes a bill a law. Before a bill is sent to the President it is signed by the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate.

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Q. Who wrote the song entitled, "The Army Air Corps"?—A. C. S.

A. This composition was written by Robert Crawford of Cos Cob, Conn., a musician and vocalist of note.

## Housewarming

*The neighbors of the newly-weds have come*
*To see the house—and sip a cocktail, too.*
*They marvel at the parlor toned in plum,*
*The dining-room, in studied contrast, blue,*
*The kitchen pertly splashed with maize and green,*
*The upstairs done in modernistic style.*
*They compliment the pair on all they've seen;*
*The architect and decorator smile.*

*But resting in a quiet corner where*
*The wistful orchid shadows weave a kind*
*Protective veil, missing her rocking-chair,*
*Her knitting, and her kitten, you will find*
*Great Granny nodding at the neighbors' praising,*
*Seeing across the years a cabin-raising.*

MARY MARGARET MILBRATH.

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## Prompt Answers to Mr. Molotov

Developments here and in New York yesterday have supplied a quick answer to Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov's assertion that two Russian teachers in this country have been "kidnaped." Almost simultaneously with release of Mr. Molotov's protest, one of the teachers, Michael Samarine, told the House Committee on Un-American Activities that he had voluntarily taken refuge with American authorities because he feared for his life if he were returned to Russia. He denied emphatically that he had been abducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation or any one else. And, in New York, the other "kidnaped" person, Mrs. Oksana Stepanova Kosenkina, dramatically escaped from "protective custody" of her consulate "friends" by leaping, almost literally, into the arms of the "kidnapers."

These were certainly peculiar actions by Soviet citizens who, according to the Russians, have been illegally restrained by the United States from realizing their eager desires to return to their homeland. Mr. Samarine testified freely that he had voluntarily placed himself and his family under American protection because he believed he and his wife would be shot if they ever went back to Russia.

As for Mrs. Kosenkina, she has made it plain by deed and words that if any kidnaping of her was done, it was not by anti-Communists or American agents. The FBI has had a lot of experience with the kidnaping racket and this is the first time they have known a "kidnaped" person to seek refuge, at risk of life, with the kidnapers.

It will be interesting to await the reactions of Mr. Molotov, Consul General Lomakin and other Soviet officials to the strange goings-on of yesterday. Mrs. Kosenkina's quoted statements to police at the hospital are completely at variance with those which were quoted as coming from her lips after her "rescue" by the Russians from headquarters of the Tolstoy Foundation, an anti-Communist organization.

Mrs. Kosenkina's tragic leap (she terms it such) will have the fortunate effect of cancelling the ill-advised habeas corpus proceedings which had been instituted in the New York Supreme Court under an impetuous judge. The action was based on questionable legal grounds that would have given the Russians good cause to fight back. A matter as delicate as this one should be handled on the highest governmental levels, with careful consideration of the international repercussions involved. There is no need for court action now. Mrs. Kosenkina has settled the dispute in her own desperate way—one that was quite effective, to the public's way of thinking.

## Growing Pains in Japan

The current controversy over the status of organized labor highlights both the difficulties in Japan's postwar evolution and the anomalous nature of the regime under which that country is governed.

It is now almost three years since Imperial Japan, reeling under the atomic catastrophes of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, capitulated and submitted to foreign military occupation. And this coming November will mark the third anniversary of General Douglas MacArthur's mandate to govern through the native authorities.

During this relatively short period, Japan has been outwardly transformed. On the surface, at least, it has a new constitution, a democratically elected Parliament, a lively political life, and individual rights and liberties. But beneath this liberal veneer certain basic realities remain almost unchanged. The ultimate source of power continues to be the Occupation Authority headed by General MacArthur. He makes major decisions and formulates policies. Parliament remains largely a rubber stamp for the cabinet it elects, which in turn is a rubber stamp for the Occupation Authority. This explains why Japanese politics is concerned with policies rather than issues—which are decided in General MacArthur's headquarters.

Of this anomalous situation the current labor controversy is an outstanding example. A prominent plank in MacArthur's reform program was the freeing of Japanese labor from the servitudes imposed under the old regime and a grant of the right to organize. Unfortunately, this new liberty has proved a heady wine to the working classes, many of the unions falling under the spell of demagogic leaders, some clearly Communists bent on destructive actions. One of these has been the calling of crippling strikes by unions of government employes, the aim being to paralyze the public services and disrupt the life of the nation. To cope with this threat, General MacArthur sent a communication to Premier Ashida, "advising" that collective bargaining priviliges and the right to strike be withdrawn from government employes. And the government promptly accepted this advice, construing it as a formal directive superseding Japanese law. The result was a storm of protest from organized labor, directed ostensibly at the native government, but aimed really at the Occupation Authority. Of course the Communists are making the most of the matter, trying to whip up both class and nationalist sentiment.

Incidents like this should not be judged by Western standards or precedents. Japan's present situation is basically abnormal and must presumably remain so until it is regularized by a peace treaty, of which there is no near likelihood so long as relations between the Western Powers and the Soviet Union remain unsettled. Japan is thus another casualty of the conflict between East and West.

## The 'Voice' Grows Stronger

Russian efforts to jam our radio broadcasts in Europe as well as in Asia add up to encouraging evidence of the growing effectiveness of our "Voice of America" program. Though still far from perfect, the program, with the additional funds made available to it by Congress, and under the able and energetic direction of Assistant Secretary of State Allen, is entering upon a new and more militant phase of activity. The major emphasis from now on will be on a vigorous counterattack to nail down the gross misrepresentations and the downright lies that have constituted the bulk of Soviet propaganda against the United States and the free world in general.

This change—which has been taking place gradually for some time past—represents an important departure from the "Voice's" earlier policy of broadcasting cultural and entertainment programs and of dealing with current events in a coldly objective and often dull manner. Under the new setup, which probably will be operating at full tilt by October 1, Russian fire in the war of ideologies and propaganda will be met with American fire at least equally strong, and not merely with a polite and colorless statement of the facts. In other words, although the facts themselves will still be honored and the truth told as the State Department sees it, the editorial and interpretative presentation will be far more forceful than heretofore and it will be addressed primarily to those countries most bombarded by the distortions and fabrications of the Soviet radio—notably the satellite peoples trapped in the dark world behind the Iron Curtain.

To that end, the "Voice" is already devoting 63 per cent of its output to editorial and informational material, 31 per cent to straight news and the remainder to music, entertainment and other features designed to attract and hold foreign listeners. Apart from events that must be reported and commented upon as they happen, a considerable amount of this programming is being done on a transcription basis enabling local radio networks—such as in Italy or Germany—to do the actual broadcasting. But the bulk must be sent out by us over the short waves in thirty-two different languages, ten additional ones having just been put on the list. Apparently the "Voice" has already won a hearteningly large audience in several countries, and special surveys and promotional activities are planned to make it larger. Further, to cope with Russian jamming and insure clear reception, our Honolulu, Manila and Munich transmitters are to be strengthened and four powerful new ones are to be installed elsewhere to relay our programs abroad.

It would be naive, of course, to say that all this will be enough to cancel out Russian propaganda. Actually, the "Voice of America" is still feeling its way in some respects, and it is laboring under handicaps like being without the news services of the Associated Press and the United Press. Nevertheless—although the shift to a hard-hitting editorialized counter-offensive could be self-defeating in inexpert hands—the new militancy of the project promises to yield good results under Mr. Allen and the experienced staff working with him. In any case, certainly, there can be no doubt about the inadequacy of the old approach. Soviet distortions—loud, blatant, colossal—need to be answered in a manner that is not only factual but also prompt enough and emphatic enough to win wide attention and create a lasting corrective impression.

To be sure, none of this can serve, even remotely, as a sound substitute for the untrammeled exchange of news and information among nations. But in the kind of world we have right now, we and all other free peoples are confronted with a hostile propaganda force of the first magnitude—a dangerous and tireless source of incessant and noisy slanders against us. Truth cannot defend itself simply by whispering back. It must be aggressive, not meek. It must shout to be heard above the din of falsehoods. At a time like this, in the war going on for the possession of men's minds, the "Voice of America" is therefore a vitally necessary weapon. It must be strong, and the stronger the better.

## New Maps of Washington

The National Geographic Society's pocket maps of Washington and vicinity, issued today, are a convincing revelation of the expanding social and cultural wealth of the Nation's Capital and its environs. They prove that the dream of the Founders of the Republic for "a new Athens in the New World" gradually is coming true. Based on 361 aerial photographs, the new charts show not merely the development of new agencies of government but likewise a great increase in private enterprises of significance to the whole American community.

At the northwest corner of the map for "central Washington" the buildings of American University are sketched with their surrounding campus, while in the Northeast sector the edifices housing Catholic University are indicated in their grounds. The lower corners of the plate are filled with the tremendous residential growth of Arlington and the monumental Pentagon on the one side and the comparable progress of Anacostia and the Naval Receiving and Air Stations on the other. Between these cardinal points stretches the vast design of the city's heart. Public and semi-public structures of every class are included—Government agencies, Embassies and Legations, schools, churches, hospitals, libraries, art galleries, museums, hotels, department stores, markets, wharves, airfields, monuments, gardens and spacious parks and playgrounds. Practically every block has its part in the magnetic attraction of the over-all picture.

If any other city has developed more notably in the past two decades, the fact is not recorded. Washington's growth obviously has not been in temporary New Deal or wartime expedients. The National Gallery, the Annex of the Library of Congress, the Folger Library, the Jefferson Memorial, the National Guard Armory, the new branches of the Public Library, Georgetown University and George Washington University Hospitals, the Shoreham and the Statler Hotels, scores of business properties and thousands of private homes are here to stay. And each is a detail in a correlated unity. The advancement of the metropolitan Capital area has not been lopsided. Careful examination of the new maps will convince any citizen that what has happened and what naturally should continue to happen is a well-rounded, a well-balanced expansion of which the entire Nation may be proud.

## Too Much Worry

Professor Esther Lloyd-Jones of Teachers College, Columbia University, has just made the depressing statement that at least 30,000,000 Americans are in need of some form of mental hygiene treatment, with millions of us bad enough to require the attention of psychiatrists. If these figures are right, that means that close to a fourth of our population has an ailing psyche or is otherwise a bit off balance. The big question is, why?

Professor Lloyd-Jones has no pat answer to offer. Presumably the trouble is attributable in considerable measure to the strain of living in parlous times. It is a fact, anyhow, that this generation has had a rendezvous with a multitude of headaches. There was a day when prosperity seemed a permanent fixture and the Nation had little more to worry about than prohibition. But then came the bust of 1929 and the years of depression. Then came Hitler. Then came war and the atomic bomb. And then came our present uneasy peace, and Russian intransigence, and inflation, and no housing, and the New Look, and flying saucers, and Henry Wallace's party, and an intense outbreak of sunspots, and a lot of other unsettling things, including talk about the world either overpopulating itself to death or coming to a sudden radioactivated end under a rain of A-weapons. All this just gives a slight idea of what we have been up against. And now, to make matters worse, along comes Professor Lloyd-Jones to suggest that most of us may be losing our minds.

Poor us! Will our woes never end, or are we merely imagining too much and talking ourselves into a nervous breakdown? Maybe we ought to get a grip on ourselves. Maybe we ought to tell the Cassandras to lay off for awhile. Up with Pollyanna for a change! It's always darkest before the dawn. Every cloud has a silver lining. Things are seldom as bad as they seem. Let's stop frightening ourselves for a spell. This worrying business can be carried too far.

## This and That

*By Charles E. Tracewell*

"BETHESDA, MD.

"Dear Sir:

"Since even the busiest days include a reading of your column, I am sure you would have been delighted to have watched with us yesterday, as a chipmunk feasted on Japanese beetles picked from the climbing roses.

"He came at last to the rose just outside the window where my husband and I watched so that we could see what he was doing with complete clarity.

"Last winter we were obliged to suspend feeding of the birds because so many rats moved in. It's something less than charming to watch a big ugly rat in the feeder while one is breakfasting. Whereupon, they ate a substantial part of the cocoa mat at the front door.

"With many thanks for your splendid articles, I am, Sincerely yours, R. B."

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A nice letter to receive on a hot sticky morning; not, as some might think, because it is complimentary, but because it contains news of two interesting creatures.

The chipmunk, and the rat—

Each is interesting, in its way. The chipmunk delights the observer with his beautiful coat, bright eyes and happy habits.

The rat, because of the role he plays in human affairs.

Ugly he is, but interesting, and supremely capable.

Unless mankind makes a greater effort than it has so far to get rid of him, he and his, along with the insects, will inherit the world.

It is not widely recognized, even after the many fine books on the subject, that our human world is in great danger of starving itself to death, in the long run—and perhaps that run is not as long as one might think.

Despoliation of land and forest, the world around, along with increase in population, is leading to that undesirable end. The work of insects and rats, in attacking human food supplies, makes the end more sure. Or so, at least, they say.

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If the average person is to help any at all, he must know more about the dangers of insects and rats.

It is man's right, one may presume, to protect himself, in such a world as this.

Even he who shrinks from pouring boiling water on a huddle of 10,000 ants on his driveway may find it necessary at times.

The rat is around us, no matter where we live. The bird feeding station merely brings him into the open. It does not attract rats, in the ordinary sense; it shows them up for what they are, where they are.

If mankind is foolish enough (and helpless enough) to blow himself into smithereens, he may feel sure that he will leave behind him still a world to be inherited.

Insects and rats, he may feel certain, will be there, no matter what happens to his dogs, his cats and his birds.

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Our correspondent's rat probably was not eating the doormat, but merely taking away some of the fibre to make a nest with.

Young rats may be said to be cute, in the sense that baby rabbits are cute.

They have a sort of trundling motion, when they run. They enjoy chasing each other around a wood pile (which is fine to attract rats).

Rats are perhaps the most intelligent of all rodents. (Rodents comprise the largest family of mammals. Three familiar rodents are rabbits, squirrels and house mice.)

Amazing tales are told of the thinking powers of rats. Something of this ability may be seen at a bird feeding station.

Often the rodents dig tunnels along garages, and come out near a feeding place, from which they take back sunflower seeds to the nest.

One old rat dug himself a tunnel 10 feet long through a snow drift, so that he need not come out into the open in visiting a feeding station.

The tunnel was as neat a piece of excavation as any one could have done. It enabled the rat to suddenly appear right at the seed. His comings and going were like clockwork all day long. The birds got so used to him that they scarcely moved when he appeared.

Chipmunks, of course, are rodents. The name comes from the Ojibway word for ground squirrel, as differentiated from tree squirrel.

# Letters to The Star

*Letters for publication must bear the signature and address of the writer, although it is permissible for a writer known to The Star to use a nom de plume. Please be brief.*

### Clark Griffith's Generosity

To the Editor of The Star:

As one who has learned at first hand of a local citizen's charitable instincts and goodwill toward his fellowmen, I should like to pay tribute to him in your columns. I refer to Clark Griffith, owner of the Washington Senators and one of the grand old men of baseball in America.

Not too long ago, the Variety Club, of which I am a member, sent a delegation to Mr. Griffith to ask him for use of the stadium for a celebration to be given in the interests of charity. When the representatives made the request, they pointed out that they realized operating the stadium was no doubt very costly, but that since their event was in the interests of charity and absolutely not for profit, they would like to ask for a lower percentage rental.

"Gentlemen," Mr. Griffith said, "if this project is for charity, you may have the stadium, of course. And you may have it for no rental whatsoever."

It is my understanding that Clark Griffith has donated the use of the stadium to hundreds of groups for charitable and public-interest money-raising enterprises through the years. Obviously, this is not done for publicity, for, so far as I have observed, he never has capitalized on this generosity.

But it is impossible for a light that shines with such vigor to be kept under a bushel. Word of Mr. Griffith's generosity has spread far and wide.

To those of us who know Clark Griffith and the fine way in which he has contributed literally tens of thousands of dollars to charity through use of his stadium in years gone by, it is regrettable that the new rule for payment of policemen should have been adopted. Perhaps this is a fair rule and in the long run it will turn out best, but knowing, as his friends do, of his good works, we cannot help but wish that the ruling could have been otherwise in the case of Griffith Stadium.

MILTON S. KRONHEIM.

### Lotteries and Competition

To the Editor of The Star:

It is to laugh. Now, the FCC is being asked to ban certain contests from the air on the grounds that they are lotteries. What is the complaint? Do the complainants think lotteries are wicked, and that the people are being contaminated? Not on your life. The competition is more than they can meet.

These are the boys who believe in free enterprise. They strenuously object to Government interference in business, except when they are getting hurt. Then they call for the cop. They want their competitors squelched. Will they succeed? This looks like it might be the case of an irresistible force meeting an immovable object.

ELMER C. HELM.

### Blames Liberals for National's Closing

To the Editor of The Star:

As a white Southerner I have been highly amused at the antics, pro and con, of those who applaud or deplore the closing of the National Theater. Personally, I always felt that the theater should have remained open with patrons admitted without regard to race, creed or color.

I recall as a child being taken for dinner to the home of a colored family in the country, the head of the household being a former slave of my grandfather's. My grandfather and I sat down to dinner with this colored family, and not only was there no question of race involved, there was no possible reason to bring it up, since my grandfather had lost his fight, a most misguided one I thought, and the ex-slaves being liberated had decided to remain on acres that my grandfather turned over to them without rancor or delay.

"Boy, never judge people by their color or condition in life," my grandfather admonished me. "A gentleman is a gentleman and a lady is a lady, regardless of how they live and where they came from, unless of course their actions prove otherwise."

I never forgot this and I grew up without any racial prejudice whatever, thanks to my grandfather and his simple, tolerant philosophy.

To me, it is an eternal disgrace that any theater in the Nation's Capital, or elsewhere in the United States, would bar a person because of race. This, to me, is the negation of democracy and Christianity. We may pick our company, yes, but at the same time we do not deny others the benefits and pleasures of a democracy because their skin is darker or their religion is different than ours.

Recently, I have been attending one of the smaller cinema theaters and I have observed that Negroes were admitted without question. How much better it would have been for the National to change its policy and let those who believed in segregation stay away, while admitting those who were more concerned with the plays than with the complexion of the patrons.

Unfortunately, this situation is due entirely to the conception of so-called "liberal" thought in the United States. Had liberty-loving Americans in Washington refused to patronize a legitimate theater that practiced segregation, this lamentable policy would have been changed; but no, they continued to attend, giving as their excuse that such evils would be remedied in the future. As Dr. Dunham points out in his excellent study, "Man Against Myth," the average liberal does not desire any immediate change in the economic or social structure. He is a rabid reactionary at heart and will remain so until he dies. Therefore, we do not have a National Theater and we do not have democracy in the Nation's Capital.

SOUTHERNER.

### Challenges Judge Raedy's Effectiveness

To the Editor of The Star:

Judge Ellen K. Raedy again is evading reporters and refusing to be questioned on the statement she made criticizing the Office of Corporation Counsel. The public well remembers several months ago she forfeited the sum of $200 rather than appear in court and defend herself. Her effectiveness as a judge has gone. Why should the citizens of this great city have to put up with such a public official as this? WALTER R. LEE.

### Peeves and Communism

To the Editor of The Star:

I wish to comment on the letter headed "Heat Creates Communist" in The Star for August 2. I do not know if Irene H. Waldo, who wrote the letter, has realized how silly it sounds to intelligent people living in a democracy.

What is the cure-all for pet peeves? It certainly is not communism. In a country where a good many people believe in the basic principles of freedom as found in the teachings of democracy and Christianity, injustices usually are reported to those in positions of authority, and by discussion and reasoning solutions are found for the troubles. Does Miss Waldo think if she were living under communism she would be permitted to express her pet peeve; much less write to the newspaper about it? Thanks to democracy, we can do these things.

Following Miss Waldo's line of thinking, if the toast burns it drives us to communism; if the electric fan breaks in the hottest day, communism is the remedy; if the soup boils over, if you cannot get the last button on your dress buttoned, if the stitches burst out of the dress when you are late for work, if your husband snores, if the doctor gives you bitter medicine, if you feel all out of sorts and the world seems a sad place, if the car battery won't start the engine, etc., etc., etc., is communism the way to correct everything?

Better start thinking; better fight for democracy before we can say nothing because of communism. G. H. BURKE.

### Balloting on Military Segregation

To the Editor of The Star:

Politicians and agitators, more concerned with cornering the votes of some minorities than with what may be the natural wish and desires of the majority, have singled out the armed forces for attack because those services are bound by oath and law to compliance with authority, hence helpless to resist a disliked order.

In singling out the armed forces, the agitators have done so with callous disregard for any thoughts or wishes the members of those services may have in the matter.

Today our Army, Navy, and Air Force are organizations of volunteers who went into the services with the full knowledge that a system of segregation prevailed. In a sense, segregation was a part of the Government's agreement with those volunteers.

Now, before we have any executive orders abolishing segregation, let the Government be fair and permit the members of the armed forces to cast secret ballots on the question of segregation and abide by the result of that ballot; or, if segregation is to be abolished arbitrarily, permit every volunteer opposed to such abolishment to return to civil life where he or she can associate with the races and people of his or her tastes without the compulsion of executive fiat. FAIRPLAY.

### Sectional Differences Reviewed

To the Editor of The Star:

In response to Yankee's statement in The Star of August 7, the Constitution reads that the States shall make all laws not provided by the Federal laws. Segregation and civil rights laws are not passed by the Federal Government but by the States.

The South is just as religious as "Yankee country," and the South will recognize the fact that colored people are just as good as white when the North recognizes that criminals and the rich and the poor are equal. In the North, if you are rich you can have it fixed; if you are not you are fined or jailed. If you are a criminal, you are just no good no matter what the circumstances are.

And in case Yankee doesn't know it, the North lost 2,542 more men in the Civil War than the South. The South also was the better trained, had the best officers, and the only reason it lost was that it did not get equipment from England.

Sex criminals are sentenced to life for rape in the South, while in New York and Maryland they get five or six years, depending on whether they are colored or white. REBEL.

To the Editor of The Star:

It is much more worth-while in these confused and irritating times to be amused rather than annoyed. I was more than mildly amused by Yankee's tirade against Southerners in Saturday's Star.

The 11 States which make up the solid South fought four long years in "The War Between the States" for "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." They emerged from this period of blood, sweat and tears all glorious in defeat. I never knew until I was well up in years how near victory they were. Theirs is a grand and noble heritage, admired and even envied by all broad-minded people far and wide.

Any section that produced a Lee, a Jackson, a Patrick Henry, a George Mason, needs no instruction on the sacred doctrines of "the rights of man."

So Yankee should just go and study the Bible and the history books, the Constitution especially, and learn what is meant by "Southern rights." Then he, too, will understand and wave the Dixie flag.

Fairfax Station, Va. ANOTHER REBEL.

*Stars, Men and Atoms*

# Sodium's Exploding Atoms

## How Cyclotron-Bombardment of Element Gives Radioactive Tracers for Medical Experimentation

*By Thomas R. Henry*

*(Sixth of a series of articles describing the progress being made in radioisotope research.)*

In the days just before the "atomic age," when the great atom-smashing and element-transmuting machines were in their infancy, one of the popular shows at science exhibits was a demonstration of exploding table salt.

A few atoms of the element sodium in this combination could be made radio-active by bombarding them in a cyclotron or some other device of the same nature. This was about the easiest and cheapest of all the exploding atoms to produce.

An extremely minute sample would be fed to a mouse. Then if the little animal was held near a Geiger counter the device would begin popping like a machine gun and this would continue for several minutes. It didn't hurt the mouse and caused a lot of wide-eyed wonder among spectators.

Now radio-active isotopes of this soft, silver-white metal sodium, chemically one of the most reactive materials in nature and essential to the chemical processes of most life, can be made easily in as large quantities as are required. It has been identified in five isotopic forms, only one of which, Na 23 with an atomic nucleus composed of 11 protons and 12 neutrons, exists in nature. One of the new forms is Na 24 with an extra neutron in its nucleus. This makes it unstable and in 14.8 hours half of any given number of atoms will shoot out an electron and an X-ray which can be detected by a counting device.

**Circulation Can Be Studied.**

Sodium in any of its forms becomes diffused in the blood stream and is carried through the body. Thus the exploding variety becomes an invaluable means of studying the circulation—the rate at which the blood is flowing in any particular part of its circuit. At Emory University Medical School it is being injected in muscle in the form of a saline solution and the rate at which it diffuses into the circulation measured. The method is proving especially valuable in detecting circulation abnormalities in the arms and legs.

Derived from the blood is the cerebro-spinal fluid which bathes the brain and spinal cord. By N 24 injections the rate of its formation and absorption can be determined and any abnormalities noted. This is being done at the Harvard University Medical School. Already the study has revealed the cause of some hitherto mysterious brain disturbances caused by increased pressure inside the skull. They are due, it is found, to a lack of balance between production and absorption of the spinal fluid.

For some years it has been suspected that there was some relationship between sodium metabolism and congestive heart failure. This has been proved at Tulane University by use of the radio-active isotope. It was found that it requires three times as long for any of a given dose of sodium to appear in the urine of victims of this condition as in normal people. The sodium, it was found, tends to concentrate in the blood serum. Whether this is a cause or effect of the heart condition remains to be determined, but the experimenters are confident that they have hit on a valuable clue.

Perhaps the most far-reaching investigation is being carried on at the Sinai Hospital in Baltimore in an effort to throw light on one of the chief causes of death in the United States today—thrombosis and pulmonary embolism. These are little understood and medical science is practically at a standstill in combatting them. An essential requisite is a thorough knowledge of venous blood flow throughout the body, and particularly through the legs. The Sinai doctors are using Na 24 to make an inch-by-inch study of the rate of this flow.

Of the same general type of element as sodium is another silvery white, soft metal, potassium, which also is an essential ingredient of protoplasm and appears to play a little-understood role in the obscure electrical mechanisms of life.

**Potassium Atoms Also Aid.**

Its atom exists in seven forms, or isotopes. Ninety-three per cent of all that exists in the world is K39, with an atomic nucleus consisting of 19 protons and 20 neutrons. It was in this form at the beginning of the world and will remain until the end.

A few years ago, however, there was discovered in nature a radio-active form, K40, making up about six-tenths of 1 per cent of all of that element on earth. It was one of the three or four known naturally occurring radio-active elements, all the others being seven or eight times as heavy and occurring at the extreme heavy end of the table of elements. At the beginning of the earth there were vastly greater amounts of K40. Thus it furnishes a check against calculations from the uranium and thorium content of rocks of the total age of the earth. This study is being carried out at Columbia University with the first concentrated samples of the isotope yet available.

Potassium is one of the most important constituents of the body. The major biological studies are being carried out with K42, an isotope which emits electrons and has a half life of 12 hours and 15 minutes. One of the important discoveries to date has been made at the Harvard University Medical School—that from a sixth to a fourth of all the potassium in the body is depleted in cases of cancer causing intestinal obstruction, in peritonitis and various other depleting diseases. Its replacement has been found essential to building new tissue and especially to wound healing.

The element tends to concentrate in nerve tissue. One of the important problems of neurology concerns what happens to it when a nerve impulse is propagated. This is being studied, with K42 supplied by the Atomic Energy Commission, in the Medical Department of the University of Illinois.

## Answers to Questions

A reader can get the answer to any question of fact by writing The Evening Star Information Bureau, 316 Eye street N.E., Washington 2, D. C. Please inclose three (3) cents for return postage.

By THE HASKIN SERVICE.

Q. What portion of the retail dollar is now going to food stores?—F. C. N.

A. The Department of Commerce reports that food stores are getting 27.6 cents, the largest portion, of each retail dollar. Automobile dealers and filling stations are getting 15.9 cents, eating and drinking places 10.1 cents.

Q. What is the distinction between the terms national flag and national ensign as used by the services?—S. W.

A. National flag may be used at any time to designate the Stars and Stripes, regardless of size or manner of display. The national ensign is the national flag flown by ships, boats and airships of the Navy, although the term is used otherwise.

Q. What is the average salary of stenographers in New York City?—G. M. A.

A. In New York the average weekly earning of a stenographer is $43.37, according to a recent survey.

Q. When did American colleges first adopt distinctive colors?—P. R.

A. In 1858 a rowing group of Harvard purchased six crimson China silk handkerchiefs to distinguish its oarsmen from the other entries. These handkerchiefs were worn around the head, and crimson became the established color of the college.

Q. For whom was Hains Point in Washington, D. C., named?—N. F.

A. Hains Point is believed to have been named in honor of Lt. Col. Peter C. Hains of the Engineering Corps who was in charge of the filling in of the Potomac flats in front of the city of Washington. It was this officer who began the work of improvement in 1882.

Q. What became of the radioman who was on duty when the Japanese took Corregidor? It was he who sent the last message.—G. S.

A. Irving Strobing, the radioman who sent the last message from Corregidor in 1942, was found alive in a Japanese prison camp. He was first reported missing in action then a prisoner of war. His father was notified on September 19, 1945, that he was being returned to the United States.

Q. What is the source of the saying: "In the midst of life we are in death?"—S. W. K.

A. The phrase is from the Book of Common Prayer. It is derived from a Latin antiphon said to have been composed by Notker, a monk of St. Gall in 911, while watching some workmen building a bridge at Martinsbrucke, in peril of their lives.

Q. What was the most elaborate wedding celebration ever held?—A. H. V.

A. This has been said of the marriage of the Infanta Maria Theresa of Spain to Louis XIV of France in 1660. Preparations lasted from March to July and the Princess traveled with a cavalcade 18 miles long. Velasquez, the famous painter, had charge of the plans for the ceremony. He was so worn out with the work it entailed that he contracted a fever and died.

## Man Can Find Beauty

*Man can find beauty in so many things:*
*Patterns of frost upon the window-pane,*
*The strength and texture of an insect's wings,*
*The sensuous movement of the wind in grain;*
*The joyous sound of brooks, and children running,*
*The lure of unknown roads that curve ahead,*
*Sweet taste of fruit that ripened slowly, sunning,*
*The scent of new-mown hay and baking bread;*
*The feeling of cool water on his skin,*
*The blessed ease that follows after labor,*
*Silence like velvet after strident din,*
*The hanclasp of a friend or helpful neighbor . . .*
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# After Dark

## A Prophet of Pleasant Things Can Have the Rostrum Any Day

By HARRY MacARTHUR.

The prophets of doom can go leap in a lake. We will even chop a hole in the ice for them. You people who tell us the Russians already have rocket guns trained on our every facility from New York Harbor to the Y-bridge in Zanesville, Ohio, a pox on you! Away with you who tell us we have a scant five years ere Gabriel trumpets! Begone you who announce that flying saucers are advance scouting parties sent by the warlike Martians! Rumble not your direful prophesyings in our frightened ears! Silent, singers of sorrow! We have a cheerful prophet.

The cheerful prophet is Phyllis Sage, the slim, attractive young woman who looks into a pleasant future from an F street vantage point named the 400. Miss Sage generally sticks to reporting to you on your character while glimpsing your palm, usually refraining, she says, from long-range predictions about life at large. Lately, however, she reports, she has "had the occasion at the 400 to read the palms of several very important gentlemen in the service of our Government." What she has seen has led Miss Sage to come forth with a set of notes on what you may expect of the future, to wit:

1. There will be no war between Russia and the United States in my lifetime.
2. There will be a concerted effort to bring about the success of the United Nations assembly.
3. The housing shortage in Washington will be relieved in about five years.
4. There will be an extremely prosperous era, but the big spending will be done more sensibly than during the war.
5. The "new look" will be the "old look" by spring.
6. Television is here to stay, but never will replace the old standby means of entertainment.
7. Ninety per cent of marriages culminating this leap year will be successful, happy unions.
8. More children will be born this year than any other year in the history of our country.
9. The atomic age, with its great fears and responsibility, will also result in many new conveniences designed to assist our pursuit of happiness.
10. I predict a new era for the people of the United States. An era complete, bringing happiness and satisfaction to the many. We are entering the greatest period in our history.
11. Last, but not least, I predict the Republican candidate and the next President of the United States will be Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg of Michigan.

So stop worrying, see.

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A note from Dorothy Shay advises that she has some new songs in the repertoire she is bringing to the Statler Hotel's Embassy Room come February 23. Her admirers will be reassured, though, by her report that "'Feudin' and 'Fud' are still in there pitchin'."

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Julian Altman, the violinist-leader of the dance orchestra at the Raleigh Hotel's Pall Mall Room, is a man who might be able to write his memoirs at the age of 32. At any rate, he should have picked up enough material for a set of memoirs in the extensive musical career he has packed into the years since his debut in 1926. That event took place here in Washington, in a joint recital with his piano-playing sister, and his age was 11 at the time; you can figure out by adding it up for yourself.

A man with a hankering for the classical, Mr. Altman turned to symphony work after growing up a little more, studying with a number of violin experts and graduating from Julliard. In New York he played with the Brooklyn Symphony, the Westchester Symphony, the N. Y. National Orchestral Association and the Chautauqua Symphony. For five years (1939-1944) he was first violinist with Washington's own National Symphony (which, by the way, could use your support right now). Julian also has made music for upwards of a dozen New York hotels and night clubs, even more radio shows, and a sizable number of motion pictures and Broadway stage productions. He once toured in vaudeville, too, before whatever happened to vaudeville happened to it.

A man as busy as he seems to have been could hardly find time for a hobby, but Mr. Altman's is short wave radio, according to report. He probably does have time to indulge it, now that he is virtually loafing, with only two jobs. He plays luncheon music at the Statler in addition to his nightly dance sessions at the Raleigh Pall Mall Room.

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The Showbill: Jay Jason is continuing to prove himself worthy of that top spot to which he has been elevated in the Club Cairo show. He's a funny man, especially when he gets going on some item like his impression of French singers. His new supporting cast includes Singer Larry Marvin and an acrobatic dancer who had train and taxi trouble opening night and whose talents therefore are secret from us. Mr. Marvin is a personable lad with a nicely resonant baritone voice, who seems to feel that the world needs a young man with a style reminiscent of Al Jolson's. For all we know, he may be right.

A dancer named Ruby Ring has been added to the show in the Shoreham Blue Room, to take the place of Landre and Verna, who moved over to the Palladian Room. Gene McCarthy and Tommy Farrell remain in the Blue Room, of course, and you ought to see them.

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## Georgetown Alumni Heads To Map Fund Drive Plans

A two-day briefing session for 60 out-of-town alumni leaders of Georgetown University, coming here to help inaugurate a Nation wide drive to raise $800,000 to build the proposed McDonough memorial gymnasium, will open Saturday on the campus.

A discussion of the architectural plans for the new building and an inspection of the building site are scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday. Later the new 405-bed Georgetown University Hospital will be inspected.

Maj. Gen. E. E. Partridge of the Air Force, will meet with alumni Saturday afternoon. A reception and dinner at 7 p.m. in Maguire Hall will be given by the Very Rev. Lawrence C. Gorman, Georgetown president, for visiting alumni and campaign committeemen. One of the speakers will be James Conzelman, coach of the Chicago Cardinals.

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## Hotel Parley Dates Set

A convention of the American Hotel Association will be held here September 17 to 22, Frank E. Weakly, president of the Hotel Association of Washington, has announced.

## Drury College to Honor Two

Gen. Jonathan Wainwright and Rear Admiral Stanford C. Hooper, both retired, will receive honorary doctor of laws degrees today at diamond jubilee ceremonies of Drury College in Springfield, Mo. Rear Admiral Hooper lives at 4425 Garfield street N.W.

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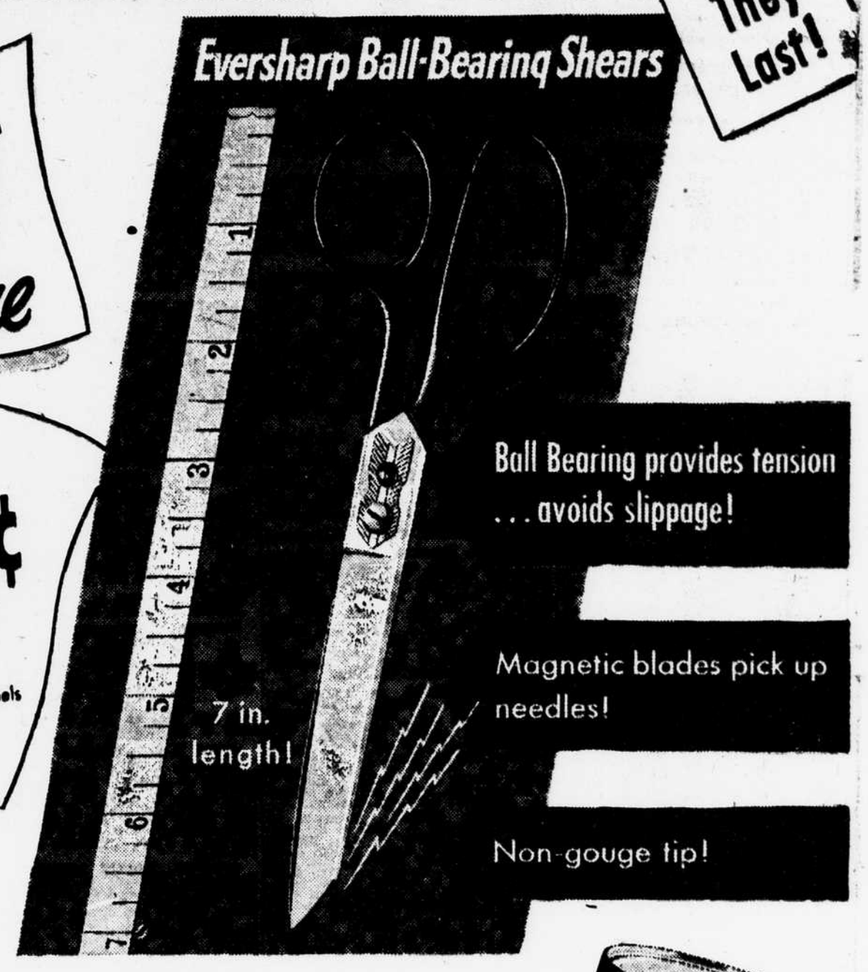


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# 'Binding Arbitration' Asked by Publishers In Chicago ITU Dispute

By the Associated Press

CHICAGO, July 10.—The Chicago Newspaper Publishers Assocition today told their striking printers that further negotiations "would serve no good purpose." The publishers urged that all remaining issues be submitteed to "final and binding arbitration."

The publishers made the proposal in a letter to John J. Pilch, president of Local 16, AFL International Typographical Union.

The newspapers involved are the Daily News, Herald-American, Journal of Commerce, Sun-Times and Tribune.

The letter traced negotiations between the union and the publishers since the printers went on strike last November 24 and said:

"Under these conditions, we wish to inform you that further meetings with your committee, as suggested in your July 6 letter, would serve no good purpose. You leave us no alternative. * * *

**To Decide Procedures.**

"We propose that all remaining unresolved issues between the parties, as shown in the printed two-way comparison of the Chicago publishers' proposal for a contract and the typographical union's 'minimum' proposal dated July 1, 1948, be submitted to final and binding arbitration."

The publishers proposed that arbitration follow this pattern:

1. That the board of arbitration be either a Federal court judge, or a five-man tribunal composed of two representatives appointed by the union, two named by the publishers and a Federal judge or member of the bar of the Supreme Court. In either case, the judge or fifth member would be appointed by the senior judge of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.

2. The board would decide all remaining "unresolved" issues between the union and the publishers.

3. It would determine procedures, provided ample time would be given for oral and written argument.

**Limited to Issues.**

4. The board would have no authority to issue an award beyond the issues presented and would have no authority to issue an order concerning the return to work of striking employes.

5. The award of the board would be final and binding.

6. Any decision by the NLRB or a Federal Court on the issues would supersede the ruling of the board.

7. If the Taft-Hartley Act is amended by Congress, so as to change the legal foundation of the board's ruling, the union and publishers would negotiate on the issues with the arbitration award remaining in effect during the period.

8. If either party should refuse to comply with the board's ruling, the other party may seek enforcement before an Illinois court.

**Cite "Closed Shop" Demand.**

The publishers contended the union had failed to place their final offer for a settlement of the strike before the membership for "a straightforward vote on its own merits."

They also claimed the union insists upon "the illegal closed shop under the guise of a hiring device," and other concessions.

Since the printers went on strike, Chicago newspapers have been publishing by means of a photoengraving process.

## 'Saucers' Still Flying

Those saucers are still flying—says Harry Price of Vryheid, South Africa, who claims he and his sons saw, at 8:30 p.m., a flat object the color of the moon, appearing from behind clouds, describing a circle 12 times over a cluster of trees, then disappearing.

# Wife, 12, Brings Home Her Baby To Family that Marries Young

By the Associated Press

SHREVEPORT, La., July 10.—Twelve-year-old Martha Jo McCart is going about her motherly duties these days as if they were the most natural thing in the world for a youngster her age.

Martha Jo, the brown-eyed wife of Bill McCart, 20, gave birth to a six and three-quarter-pound son at Charity Hospital here June 27. She sees nothing at all unusual about herself and baby.

The McCarts have set up housekeeping at the home of the husband's parents in the Fairview-Alpha community about 10 miles south of Coushatta in Northwest Louisiana. The 115-pound mother and her son arrived from the hospital a week ago.

Bill's sisters helped get things ready for the new home. They seemed to know just how a young mother feels about such things. One sister, Mrs. Wermit Hunger, married at 13 and was a mother at 14. Another sister, Mrs. Mary Lee Phillips, became a bride at 15 and at 16 was the mother of the first of her nine children.

Getting married early runs in the family. One of the boy's uncles, Emmett McCart, married at 17. Another, Hansel McCart, took his first bride when he was 15 and his second bride two years later. A third uncle, Cleveland McCart, was an old bachelor of 19 when he found a wife.

Nor is that all. Mrs. Rena McCart, the baby's grandmother, married at 15 herself.

## 34th Division to Meet

Former members of the 34th Infantry Division in the Washington area will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the officer's club at Fort Leslie J. McNair.

# Dr. Charles Dolley Dies; Noted As Biochemist

By the Associated Press

NASSAU, Bahamas, July 10.—Dr. Charles Sumner Dolley, 92, author of many scientific books and founder of the first biochemical laboratory in the United States, died today.

A native of Ohio, he was graduated from Johns Hopkins University and studied in Heidelburg. He established the first biochemical laboratory at Swathmore College. Later he was professor at the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. and Mrs. Dolley have lived in Nassau since 1912. The widow survives him. He will be buried in St. Anne's churchyard here.

## Rites Are Set Tomorrow For Norman C. Brown

Norman C. Brown, Federal planning official and real-estate operator who died Thursday, will be buried in Arlington Cemetery tomorrow afternoon.

Funeral services will be conducted at 12:15 p.m. in Gawler's Chapel, 1756 Pennsylvania avenue N.W., attended by officials of the National Capital Park and Planning Commission. Mr. Brown, who was a Navy veteran of World War I, was chief land purchasing officer of the planning commission and had been on its staff since 1934.

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## Purchasing Agents to Meet

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## A Strictly Local Emergency

The Republican leaders say "We do not intend to consider routine legislation or open the pandora's box of the legislative calendar." Ordinarily such a pronouncement would mean exclusion of all strictly local business from the special session.

It should not mean that now. The District of Columbia, governed exclusively by the Congress, is facing an unprecedented budgeting mess. This special session should do what it can to straighten it out. The discrimination against municipal employes should be removed by granting to them the same cost-of-living salary increase voted for their fellows in the Federal Government. A sales tax should be promptly approved by the Senate—it has already been approved by the House—and collections should begin as soon as possible.

These two steps are of vital importance. The significance of Budget Officer Fowler's statement to all municipal department heads last week should be understood. Even without the salary increase, to which Congress is morally committed, we shall be operating well over a million dollars in the red this current fiscal year. With the salary increases, this deficit would exceed $7,000,000. The following year it would exceed $20,000,000. And these deficits are threatened under a drastic budgeting policy which disallows all strictly new construction and practically all new positions.

The conditions now result from dilatory procedure in the regular session which delayed consideration of tax legislation until the last minute, when it was easily blocked by a sole obstructionist in the Senate. It is the responsibility of the majority leaders to correct matters now, while there is time, and avoid what can become a disastrous situation later on.

## Tito and the Soviet Empire

The passage of time does not seem to be having a healing effect on the Soviet-Yugoslav rift. If anything, the rift is deepening and broadening into a gulf which may in fact prove to be unbridgeable. In any event, as of now, there appears to be no reason whatever to doubt the genuineness of the dispute between the Tito regime and the Communist Information Bureau, the Kremlin's agency for international subversion.

Thus, in the latest of a long list of bitter pot-and-kettle exchanges, the heretical Yugoslav Communist Party, giving complete support to Premier-Marshal Tito, has lashed out at Pravda, the official newspaper of the Russian Commnunists. The significance of the development is that it marks the first direct attact on one of the chief mouthpieces of the Politburo in Moscow. Heretofore, the attack has been confined to the Cominform itself and to its satellite members, but now it has been enlarged to take in the all-high Soviet leadership.

Not to be overlooked, moreover, are two other developments. The first of these is the recent Yugoslav-American agreement amicably providing that the Belgrade government satisfy virtually all our postwar claims in return for our releasing to Yugoslavia its $47,000,000 in gold and other assets frozen in this country during the war. The second is Marshal Tito's significantly timed statement to former Governor Olson of California declaring that the Yugoslavs are ready and willing to trade with the United States on a friendly basis free of political conditions.

Although it would be risky to read too much meaning into such events, they are nevertheless worthy of careful attention. Viewed against the background of the Belgrade-Moscow estrangement, they have the appearance at least of accentuating and intensifying that estrangement. In any case, it seems obvious that they tend to discourage a reconciliation, and the ever-suspicious Kremlin, not without reason, is likely to regard them as further evidence of the "hateful" anti-Soviet policy being pursued by the rebellious Tito and his renegade Communist regime.

Further than that—and again not without reason—the Kremlin may view the attack on Pravda, the Yugoslav-American agreement and the statement to Mr. Olson as the beginning of an effort on Tito's part to lead Yugoslavia out from the dark world behind the Iron Curtain and bring it into harmony and collaboration with the United States and the free West in general. In that event, obviously, the Soviet Empire would suffer a serious blow in the strategically crucial Balkans—a blow that could decisively upset whatever timetable the Stalin dictatorship may have set for itself in seeking to spread Red totalitarianism and dominate all of Europe clear to the English Channel.

Assuming a permanent split with Tito, therefore, the Soviet Union has real grounds for worry. For if Yugoslavia carries its defiance to the point of complete secession, other satellite lands may be tempted eventually to do the same thing. The world behind the Iron Curtain is not held together by common love ties with Moscow. It is held together chiefly by terrorism. Were it not for that, the diverse peoples who live in it—nearly all of them intensely nationalistic—would lose no time in overthrowing their vassal governments and breaking away from Russia. Nor can the Kremlin count on the puppets themselves. Potentially, they may all be Titos, and even now the Gottwald regime in Czechoslovakia is said to be scheduled for a purge.

The fact that it is built on such foundations as these suggests that the Soviet Empire may be much shakier than has been generally supposed. The Tito defection is a meaningful straw in the wind. Conceivably, should a great crisis develop in Europe, everything the Russians have erected behind the Iron Curtain would come crashing down. At any rate, the base of the edifice—terror and suppressed popular opposition—seems hardly designed to prevent collapse under exceptional strains.

## The President's Message

The bulk of Mr. Truman's message to the special session of the Republican Congress is transparently political, and can be put aside as being such.

The President announced the special session call in the intensely partisan atmosphere of the Democratic convention. That alone suggests the political motivation and the content of his message confirms it.

Mr. Truman asked for legislative action on twelve matters. Only one of them, or perhaps two, could possibly justify calling the Congress back to Washington in the midst of an election year. These two involve the cost of living and housing. The remaining ten, running from Federal school aid to civil rights, have no place on the agenda of a special session, and their inclusion in the message can only be regarded as a bit of presidential vote fishing. For the record, the President mentioned eight additional subjects on which he said he would welcome action if the special session should find itself with spare time on its hands. But the absurdity of this was too self-evident, and Mr. Truman gave these matters no more than passing mention.

The President stressed the cost of living and the housing items as being really urgent.

There is room for doubt with respect to the second item. Some 97,000 new housing units were started in May of this year. That is an increase of 73.6 per cent over the monthly rate in 1939. During the year 1947 a total of 849,000 housing units were started as compared to 670,000 in 1946. This unprecedented volume of building had drawn 2,064,000 workers into the construction industry as of May—close to twice as many men as were engaged in building in 1939. What this means is that practically all available workers are already employed in the building industry, and this, coupled with the fact that most building materials are being consumed as fast as they are produced, makes it exceedingly doubtful that any more housing would be forthcoming if the bill which the President recommends should be passed. The country might get a different type of housing, and perhaps cheaper housing on a subsidized basis, but it is very doubtful that action in the special session, as distinguished from action in the next regular session, would bring any substantial improvement in the over-all housing situation.

Living costs are another matter. They are steadily creeping up and the end is not yet in sight. There can be no doubt that there is need for action now. The question is what effective action can be taken.

The President, by implication at least, would saddle the Republican Congress with all of the blame for the high cost of living. But he is at least partly responsible. In October of 1946, just before the election which brought the Republicans into power at the Capitol, he lifted ceilings on meat and livestock, although meat was in short supply. And in that same month he made a speech urging in effect that workers be paid the same wage for a forty-hour week as they had been getting for forty-eight. This brought the first round of postwar wage increases, and we are now in the midst of the third. In November of 1946 Mr. Truman wiped out all wage controls and lifted virtually all remaining price ceilings. On that occasion he said: "The law of supply and demand, operating in the market place, will, from now on, serve the people better than would continued regulation of prices."

But the law of supply and demand, trusted two years ago by the President as well as by his political opponents, has not done the trick. Something more is needed, and Mr. Truman calls on Congress to give him eight regulatory powers.

Some of them—power to restore consumer credit controls, to restrain speculation on the commodity exchanges and to regulate inflationary bank credit among others—might serve some useful purpose. But approaches of this nature, and the same can be said for price ceilings and rationing, do not get to the heart of the problem, which consists of the fundamental fact that demand is still outrunning supply, even at inflated prices.

Mr. Truman pats himself and the Democrats on the back for having raised farm income from $2,500,000,000 in 1933 to more than $18,000,000,000 in 1947. And he also claims credit for the fact that wages and salaries have risen from $29,000,000,000 in 1933 to more than $128,000,000,000 in 1947.

In these facts there certainly lies a large part of the explanation of present high prices. Yet Mr. Truman shies away from any proposal which would reduce inflated farm income or the high wage level. In fact, he argues for still higher wages, except where this would necessitate raising price ceilings, and he would even be willing to lift ceilings to permit wage increases "to remedy hardship, to correct inequities, or to prevent an actual lowering of living standards."

The unpleasant fact is, however, that high living standards, based on high incomes, are prime factors in the present high cost of living. In an election year, the President does not want to come to grips with this fact, and neither will his Republican opposition. Yet it is very doubtful, in the absence of resort to the artificial device of subsidies, that there can be any early reduction in prices without firm ceilings over, if not actual reductions in, wages, salaries and farm income.

With prices as high as they are, there is a tendency to take the view that things could hardly be worse, so perhaps Congress ought to give the President the price powers for which he asks. But if that is done—and it is unlikely—there will still be no reason for optimism. For the hard economic facts will continue with us. Price ceilings and even rationing are not very effective weapons as long as wanted goods remain in short supply while money is plentiful. And the statistics show that our national income is at its highest level, while many of the things the people want, especially choice food items, are not available in sufficient quantities to satisfy the demand.

## Those 'Things' Are Flying Again

It is a good thing that something new has been added this season to the "flying saucer" stories. Nothing is so dull as last year's styles in flying saucers. The new crop of hot-weather tales is better authenticated, too. They range from descriptions of a two-decker rocket with fiery wake to varied reports of "strings of pearls" or silvery plates meandering over the Atlantic Coast.

The awesome rockets were glimpsed in places as far apart as Yakima, Washington; Alabama, Georgia, and Indiana. The most colorful descriptions came from the pilot, copilot and a passenger of an airliner flying over Alabama. They said the thing looked like a Buck Rogers space ship, with two rows of square windows and a tail spouting flames of blinding brilliance. They estimated its speed at from five to seven hundred miles an hour. It suddenly disappeared in the clouds after cutting a caper or two near the plane.

The phenomenon of the pearls was witnessed by many persons in the vicinity of Asbury Park, New Jersey. Two flyers took off to investigate the what-is-it but found that they could not reach the high-flying objects. However, some unimaginative scientists at Princeton University punctured the mystery by announcing that they had sent aloft earlier that day a string of silver-colored aerological balloons, carrying neutron-measuring instruments. Nothing more has been heard of the pearls along the beach resorts.

But the mystery of the flaming rockets remains. The Navy, always matter-of-fact, has offered a possible solution. It seems that naval technicians have been testing a three-thousand-mile-an-hour rocket in New Mexico. The controlled missile is equipped with radio and devices for checking cosmic radiation and other conditions. If any of the Navy rockets ever went astray, they presumably could travel clear across the continent in a short time. All in all, it might be just as well if the Navy kept its suggestions to itself. It would be too bad if the enigma were cleared up until absolutely necessary. For what would feature writers and copy readers have to relieve the summer doldrums if it were not for flying saucers, sea serpents and such?

## This and That

*By Charles E. Tracewell*

"ARLINGTON, Va.

"Dear Sir:

"I should be most grateful to E. S. L. if he would advise me what he grows in his garden that attracts rabbits.

"We have assiduously tried to cultivate the friendship of a rabbit in our neighborhood, but he remains aloof and we have only a nodding acquaintance with him.

"We have enlarged the hole under our fence through which he enters our yard until it is almost large enough for a bear, so that the rabbit will not be inhibited by a too small aperture.

"Bits of juicy corn, crisp carrots, melon, cabbage, even grain, have been placed near his entrance, and at various other strategic spots in the yard, in an effort to gain his favor, but he ignores what we fondly hoped he might regard as tempting delicacies.

"Perhaps once or twice a week he casually drops in, nibbles a bit of clover or greens, explores the tomato patch with half-hearted interest, and then rests a moment or two under a bush.

"We are delighted with even these brief visits. I must confess that when he is in the yard, the selfish and ignoble idea has occurred to me more than once to bar his exit so that he would be compelled to stay longer, but of course I dismiss the thought immediately.

"We might have planted a small garden solely for his use, if we had known that nothing short of vegetables on the vine would appeal to him, but it is a bit late for that now.

"We would appreciate any suggestions you might offer for furthering this casual acquaintanceship into a warm friendship.

"Many thanks for your interesting and delightful column which is like a refreshing, green oasis in a newspaper desert of political, economic and social strife.

"Sincerely, L. D. S."

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Lettuce and carrots, grown in a garden, will attract rabbits.

So will petunias.

Any one living in the suburbs can get these rodents by planting this trio.

The point is that wild rabbits will not take food handled by human hands.

Those sensitive, wiggling nostrils smell the great enemy of all living things.

We are condemned, all of us, by those nostrils.

Cut out as many fine carrots as you please, and put them in the yard, no respectable wild rabbit will eat them.

He will gnaw bark, first.

He will starve, rather than touch what vile human hands have contacted.

Once we tried to lure a bunny in the winter. We purchased a great sack of alfalfa pellets, and put a heap of them in the refuge spot by the garage the rabbit had chosen.

He would lie right by the alfalfa, but he never touched any.

Almost any annual flower is food for rabbits. Such plants are quick growth, and therefore are less tough and hardy.

It is refreshing to get a missive from some one who wants rabbits. What are a few flowers, after all, as against a beautiful wild creature?

We know where three are, in a yard up the block. As far as we know, there are no particular dainties there for them.

They just have taken up living there, a large rabbit, a middle sized one, and a wee little one.

Leggy, the big tiger cat, chases them every morning, but he does it in a halfhearted manner, for he is mild and gentle, despite his appearance.

Leggy knows that he hasn't any chance whatever of catching them, even the little one.

Our correspondent might as well give up trying to lure the rabbit with food previously handled. No matter how crisp the lettuce, or firm the carrot, a wild bunny will have nothing to do with it.

He wants his food straight from the hand of nature, and who can blame him? But even then, he prefers to make his own choice of location, and here many unknown factors enter. The three rabbits spoken of are much closer to dogs and an express highway than down our way, but still they do not come. They have a right to selection, in the mysterious ways of animals. At times their preferences seem strange, but if we knew all the facts, no doubt we would understand.

If our kind correspondent will persevere with home-grown lettuce, carrots and petunias, next season rabbits will come in numbers. We suspect that here is a case for a pet store rabbit. They have some beauties, especially the yellow ones. And properly lodged and protected from cats, they are a lot of fun.

# Letters to The Star

*Letters for publication must bear the signature and address of the writer, although it is permissible for a writer known to The Star to use a nom de plume. Please be brief.*

### Press Freedom Under Wallace

To the Editor of The Star:

In the commotion over the "Guru letters" at the fantastic Wallace press conference, hasn't an even more bizarre feature been overlooked, viz., Friendly Henry's stipulation at the start of the conference that he would permit only one question per reporter?

Assume, as Mr. Wallace did in his "if I were President" acceptance speech, that he is in the White House. He holds a press conference. A reporter risks a second question to clarify the answer to the first. This sometimes is necessary, even with Henry's own outgivings.

What happens then? Presumably the President is annoyed. His rule has been violated. What does he do? What does the reporter do? Does the President banish the reporter and let down an Iron Curtain against his return? Does he condemn the reporter to silence for a stated period or until he apologizes and promises to be a good one-question reporter again?

Suppose the reporter won't play and claims the President is engaging in discriminatory obstruction of the free flow of news, thereby endangering the reporter's ability to pay his rent and grocery bills. Suppose the reporter takes his grievance to the Secretary of Labor (you name him) or his employer takes it to the Secretary of Commerce (who would that be?), is he likely to get satisfaction? Suppose he asks President Wallace's Attorney General (guess who) to agree to the bringing of some sort of suit in the Court of Claims, on the rule that there is no wrong without a remedy, will he get it?

In other words, just how free would newsmen be at a White House press conference with Henry Wallace behind the desk?

PAUL SIFTON.

### If Reforms Are Wanted

To the Editor of The Star:

This is awfully hot weather for straight thinking, but President Truman thinks it can be done; hence he calls Congress into special session.

However, let's see if much can be done.

If we really want to stop Mr. Truman, we will not side-swipe him with Mr. Wallace or the rebel candidate of the deep South, but hit him head-on with Mr. Dewey.

If we are looking for a balanced budget and a surplus, we will disregard the $8,000,000,000 check (the biggest in history) flashed before the photographers by Mr. Snyder, Secretary of the Treasury, payable to the Federal Securities Administration. That was a payment on account with the Social Security Board, not an excess of tax income over Government expenditures.

If we are looking for evidence of saving and economy, disregard the statement by Senator Barkley in his keynote speech that the Truman administration had saved the American people 27 billion dollars, for that represents unexpended war appropriations and no semblance of saving.

If we want economy in government (Washington), stop depending upon people who increased the national debt (prewar) by 25 billion dollars, for spending is in their blood stream and their second nature.

If we want laws that we can live under and do business with, let's stop enacting them in the atmosphere of inspired crises and in the shadow of war, as has been done for the past 16 years.

If we want people to go to work and get production, let's stop Government handouts upon every conceivable pretext, most of them spurious.

If we wish to stabilize and make secure this republican form of government, let's re-establish the sound doctrine that it is the people who must support the Government, not the Government the people. JOHN W. HESTER.

Oxford, N. C.

### Resentment Natural

To the Editor of The Star:

There are several angles from which M. E. Morris' letter of July 19 on "Prejudice" could receive just criticism. The part that impressed me was the idea that any human being would need some one to awaken him to the fact that he was being mistreated. I have often heard the statement that whenever a Negro resents being trod upon or resents his position in this democratic, freedom-loving America he must surely be communistically inspired.

JAMES L. WASHINGTON.

### Sterilization of the 'Uneducable'

To the Editor of The Star:

Newspapers and magazines are giving a great deal of publicity to crime and juvenile delinquency. J. Edgar Hoover is quoted as having said, "Lawlessness has taken on such proportions as to startle the imagination." The effect of the war may be considered as one of the major factors, yet it plays a role secondary to that of the parents and the homes they make.

Being a good parent is one of the most difficult jobs, requiring wisdom and common sense. Figures from the 1940 census show us graphically that those with the least education and the lowest economic status are producing the most children, and that the birth rate falls with amazing consistency and regularity with an increase in years of education and improved financial condition.

Psychological studies made on prisoners have shown that at least 75 per cent of our convicted criminals have such low intelligence as to be either feebleminded or borderline cases. In most cases they have inherited their mentality. May there not be a direct relationship between the doubling of crime among juveniles and the high birth rate of the uneducable?

Unless selective sterilization is incorporated with other standard measures to stop the overproduction of the mentally deficient, each succeeding generation will find the problem is pyramiding itself and becoming steadily more difficult of solution. H. C. WOOD,

Princeton, N. J.

### Not 'Using' Negroes

To the Editor of The Star:

Twice during the past ten days I have seen letters in The Star expressing the opinion that white people are never friendly to Negroes except through a desire to "use" them. I regret this sordid view of white people and wish to speak in their defense, since I am one of them.

In examining my own reasons for friendly relations with members of other groups and races, I can list the following: Simple amiability; a desire to know interesting people; a desire to exchange professional knowledge with a wide variety of colleagues; a belief that race is a superficial matter, and a knowledge that scientific study has proved it to be so; and, finally, a simple regard for elementary principles of decency and fairness.

None of the reasons listed shows a desire to "use" anybody. Yet I will not claim to be entirely unmoved by considerations of self-interest. After all, we Americans of old Colonial stock are a minority group. Who can tell when somebody will start segregating us?

WENDELL BROOKS PHILLIPS.

### Segregation Opposed and Supported

To the Editor of The Star:

It was gratifying to read such sensible and praise-deserving letters as appeared in The Star of July 23, written by Edwin James Sceery and Mary Gibson Hundley.

I take this means to express my admiration to the writers of those letters and my esteem to you, Mr. Editor, for publishing them. I trust we shall have more like them, for it is time for those who practice the American way of life to become more outspoken.

I cannot believe that the group voicing approval of segregation is in the majority; I only believe it is more vociferous.

We have none of us chosen our parents, and so we white people have no reason to be proud of our white skins. L. M. B.

To the Editor of The Star:

There were two letters to the Editor dealing with Negro segregation, lack of equality, happiness, and opportunity printed on the same day signed by Edwin James Sceery and Mary Gibson Hundley. I assume both are Negroes of good families, good education and great ideals. But their contentions are wrong.

I am a member of the community they claim is the majority, white, with all of the opportunities in the world. I am not a Southerner, whom they claim is prejudiced, but a Northerner who believes in fair play, equal opportunity, the wiping out of ignorance by education, prejudice and bigotry by love and understanding, injustice by justice—and have always believed in them, fought for them, and still contend that this is the greatest country in the world. But all these blessings are not to be handed out by any majority. They are to be sought by all who know what they want is to be attained through hard work. Let us take a hand in the development of science and industry, so that there will be a still greater economic prosperity for all.

MAURICE A. GERSHING.

### Defends Mr. Winant's Services

To the Editor of The Star:

An Associated Press dispatch in The Sunday Star by Wes Gallagher with date line, Berlin, July 17, ascribes to the late John G. Winant responsibility for the Berlin crisis. The writer cites "authoritative sources that cannot be named" as accusing Ambassador Winant of refusing to negotiate a corridor between Berlin and the Western zones of Germany when he served on the European Advisory Commission.

There is an element of unfairness in making charges against a man who cannot answer them. It is particularly unfair when the sources quoted are anonymous. Those willing to make accusations against the dead should not hide behind the screen of anonymity, but should have the courage to make their identity known. And this is in their own interest. Otherwise they raise suspicion among the thoughtful that they may be trying to conceal the mistakes of their friends and themselves by placing the blame on those who cannot challenge their assertions.

Mr. Winant was a great, patriotic American who virtually gave his life in the service of his country. He enlisted as an air pilot in the First World War. During the Second World War he served as our Ambassador to Great Britain. He gave himself unreservedly to the task with no thought of time or effort or personal safety. He won the enduring respect and affection of the British people. He was awarded the Medal of Merit by the President of the United States and the Order of Merit by the British King.

He was a progressive Republican who believed that in a period of crisis the interests of his country came before those of partisanship. He was in no sense an appeaser. The policies of Yalta, Teheran and Potsdam, which have made it possible for Russia to out-Hitler Hitler, were not of his making. It was not he who forced acceptance of the Stalin demand for a western front across the English Channel instead of the Churchill plan for an attack through the Mediterranean. It was not he who held back the troops of the United States from entering Berlin so that victory could be given to Russia.

Is it possible that some of whose who engineered these policies which now are bearing such ugly fruit are attempting to shift responsibility from their own shoulders or trying to divert criticism from their great mistakes by drawing attention to lesser errors? It was the great mistakes which created the Russian crisis of which the Berlin crisis is but a single phase.

Whatever their reason for accusing Mr. Winant, their names should be known. Let Mr. Gallagher give us the names. In fairness to the dead he can do no less.

ETHEL M. JOHNSON.

### English Sparrow Commended

To the Editor of The Star:

Many of us have come to look on the English sparrow as a nuisance. I, for one, was of that opinion until I took an interest in it. Now I consider the sparrow not only a blessing but a useful little creature with a cheerful chirp. Those of us who take pride in gardens will find him the nemesis of the destructive Japanese beetle. I have discovered that the sparrow does go for them in a big way. L. J. E.

### Clothing for Children

To the Editor of The Star:

In the clothing closets of many American homes, there are tucked away in the summer the heavy clothing and shoes that the children wore last winter. Some of these will have been outgrown by fall. And some, in the warm months, will be destroyed by moths.

Yet for the lack of such clothing, hundreds of thousands of children will suffer, and many thousands will die of exposure next winter.

For the past 16 years Save the Children Federation has been providing clothing and other necessities for many needy children in the disadvantaged rural areas of our own country, and in more recent years in Finland, Holland, France, Greece and Austria.

I hope that by publishing this letter, your readers will be inspired to send used and outgrown clothing to us now for these needy children. It can be sent by parcel post or express prepaid to: Save the Children Federation, 8 Washington place, New York, N. Y.

The clothing is needed now because time is required to sort, clean, repair and pack it so that it may get to its destination for the children by the time the cold weather comes.

Adult clothing also is welcome, for if parents are helped, the children are helped too.

JOHN R. VORIS,

President, Save the Children Federation.

### God-Made Conditions

To the Editor of The Star:

I wish to call your attention to the fact that The Star's editorial, "New Party Keynote," was incomplete in its implications. True, perhaps, Mr. Howard would have been shot in Russia for attacking the government; but he would have been shot for attacking the government, not for being a Negro.

Mr. Howard—and his fellow Americans of color—will not resent the villification heaped upon them by their political opponents. That is part of the game which even the President is heir to. Bitterly and rightly, however, will Mr. Howard and all his race resent the humiliations they must daily suffer because of their color.

What Negroes seek from America—what all men must be seeking before the United Nations Commission on Human Rights—is an end to barriers and limitations and segregations based on conditions which are not "removable or improvable"—conditions which are God-made. V. J. DOZIER.

*Stars, Men and Atoms*

## 'Laughing Gas' Reported Used in Major Surgery

### Coma Maintained for Long Periods By Being Given Continuously

*By Thomas R. Henry*

CHICAGO, Ill.—Nitrous oxide, the "laughing gas" of the dentist's office, which is the safest and least disagreeable of all anesthetics, now can be used for major surgical operations requiring hours, it was reported to the American Medical Association here.

This is accomplished, it was explained by Drs. Richard C. Thompson and William B. Neff of Leland Stanford University, by combining with it some of the new pain-killing drugs, synthetic substitutes for morphine to which they are chemically related. The same effect can be produced with morphine itself.

**Weak Effect in Past.**

The difficulty with nitrous oxide in the past, Dr. Thompson explained, is that it has only a weak anesthetic effect. It has been valuable only for such a minor operation as tooth extraction, which requires only a few seconds. Even then the patient may struggle, although without any memory of pain afterwards. In order to produce deep anesthesia it has been necessary to use such a gas as ether, which is considerably more dangerous and difficult to take.

With the Stanford University technique the laughing-gas anesthesia can be made as deep as necessary, Dr. Thompson said. It is given continuously throughout the operation. The morphinelike drugs are given intermittently in very small doses and dilute solutions. Deep unconsciousness has been maintained in experimental animals for as much as eight hours. There are some patients, it was explained, to whom it is dangerous to give ether, while they would have complete tolerance for nitrous oxide.

The effect can be produced with both morphine itself and demerol, the best known of all the morphine substitutes. The drugs chiefly used, however, are two new substances which are known only by numbers and whose physiological effects are being investigated before they are introduced in general medical practice. These originally came out of Germany just before the war.

**"Pleasant Sensations."**

One of the "number drugs," Dr. Thompson said, appears from the Stanford experiments to be much more potent than either demerol or morphine. Nothing is known as yet of its possible habit-forming propensities, but these would not have to be considered in its use as an adjunct to nitrous oxide.

Persons who have taken the new form of anesthesia, the two doctors reported, claim to experience only pleasant sensations. Tests show that blood pressure remains constant throughout an operation and there is no weakening of heart action. Recovery from the anesthetic is almost immediate as soon as the operation is over.

## Answers to Questions

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BY THE HASKINS SERVICE

Q. Are the sun's rays most penetrating in the middle of the day?—M. E. J.

A. When the sun is high overhead, the rays are most penetrating. A two-hour exposure to the sun in the early morning or in the late afternoon may give less of a burn than a half-hour at mid-day.

Q. Was "The Scarlet Pimpernel" originally written as a novel or as a play?—L. L. A.

A. It was written as a novel in 1904, but after the manuscript had been rejected by at least a dozen publishers, the Baroness Orczy and her husband, Montague W. Barstow, decided to dramatize the story. As a stage play "The Scarlet Pimpernel" was a great success on the London stage, and in the same year was published as a novel and reputedly sold over 3,000,000 copies in England alone.

Q. What country has issued a postage stamp in honor of President Harry S. Truman?—R. T. E.

A. Brazil recently issued such a stamp, commemorating President Truman's official visit of 1947.

Q. Please give the names of some of the noted offspring of Man o' War. Were they outstanding money winners?—G. C.

A. Offspring of the famous race horse included War Admiral, Crusader, Clyde van Dusen, Mars, Bateau and Fairy Manhurst. Together they won about $3,250,000.

Q. How long did it take to grind and polish the glass disk of the 200-inch telescope?—W. O. L.

A. In grinding and polishing the 200-inch disk, 180,000 man-hours were consumed. The surface now is accurate to within 2 millionths of an inch.

Q. How many political parties are there in England—B. O. S.

A. Eleven parties are represented in the House of Commons, by far the most important being the Labour and Conservative Parties. Minor parties include the Liberal, Independent and Ulster Unionist.

Q. Do insects migrate?—O. B. B.

A. Some insects migrate but with less regularity than the birds or the fishes. Best known of these are the migratory locusts or grasshoppers which set out in swarms when they become too populous in their breeding grounds. Certain dragonflies and butterflies also swarm.

Q. What is the nationality of King Paul I of Greece?—H. C. H.

A. King Paul is of Danish-German-Russian royal blood. He is the third and youngest son of Constantine I and Princess Sophia of Prussia.

Q. When did airplanes fly in battle formation for the first time?—B. A. R.

A. The first battle formation seems to have occurred during World War I on May 6, 1917, when, in a battle between British and German flyers, five two-seater fighters fought three formations of nine planes each.

Q. Where is the most northwesterly city in the United States?—B. L. T.

A. Blaine, Wash., is said to be the most northwesterly city in the United States. A port of entry, it is located near the British Columbia boundary, on Drayton Harbor. Nearby is the Peace Arch State Park commemorating 100 years of peace between the United States and Canada.

## Out Fishing

*The sky seems larger when I'm out still-fishing.*
*Under its wideness troubles, mountain-high,*
*Grow smaller, and I cash my futile wishing*
*Into blue deeps of placid lake and sky;*
*I drown my black tomorrows in bright blue.*
*Here, sky is no mere roof-caught patch so small*
*Two stars would crowd it; my untrammeled view*
*Of it invites a wondering on all*
*The universe. I turn my gaze on spaces*
*Where other worlds and suns wheel on unseen*
*Behind the blaze of day. Familiar places*
*Fade from my thought and, freed from all routine,*
*I find serenity, counting well-spent*
*A day that leaves me—fish or no—content.*

ELOISE WADE HACKETT.

# Win, Lose, or Draw

By BURTON HAWKINS

## Umpiring Can Be Poor Job, Despite the Hours

When bottles are flying, empty beer cans are whistling through the air, newspapers, crumpled cups, scorecards, pencils, remnants of hot dogs generously blanketed in mustard and even shredded seats are being fired, baseball umpiring becomes a hazardous occupation.

Burton Hawkins.

Those are the moments when the boys in blue are likely to consider the wisdom of having entered employment where praise practically is nonexistent.

Explosive episodes like that at Griffith Stadium on Thursday night are rare, happily. Target for that ton of assorted rubbish was Plate Umpire Red Jones, whose customary congenial nature was taxed to the point of threatening to forfeit the game to Philadelphia unless the dangerous barrage ceased.

Jones had committed the unforgiveable sin of making a mistake. He couldn't backspace and knock off with a series of xxxx's. He couldn't erase. He couldn't say, "Sorry, I dialed the wrong number." He couldn't bellow, "Cut—let's try that scene again." Red was wrong and the penalty in his profession for being wrong—or being correct, but at variance with public opinion—at best consisted of being subjected to thunderous booing. At its worst, the umpire has a choice of wondering when one of those pint bottles will crease his skull or scampering for cover. They don't run.

## Scenery Along Baseline Had Jones Spellbound

Jones, with runners on first and third, had scooted a few feet down the first base line to determine whether a ball tapped by Pete Suder of Philadelphia's Athletics was fair or foul. He decided it was fair, then seemingly hung around to gaze enraptured at the scenery along the first base line.

It hadn't occurred to Red that First Baseman Mickey Vernon of the Nats wouldn't be gentlemanly and concede a run to Philadelphia. Mickey's ambition at that moment was to whip the ball to Catcher Jake Early in an attempt to catch Sam Chapman at the plate.

That laudable objective was frustrated by the sizeble form of Mr. Jones, who was standing on the baseline. Vernon had a choice of rolling the ball between Red's legs, arching it over his head, abandoning all idea of nipping Chapman, or throwing anyway. He threw and the little boom as the ball bounced off Jones' chest protector was a noise Red won't be likely to forget.

Vernon generally is a mild fellow, but he yelped. Catcher Early, not so mild, inserted several choice insults and Manager Joe Kuhel expressed his views of Red's original version as to where he should be situated on that particular play. The fans took over at that point, an incredible number of them feeling the urge to pinpoint Jones, who was caressed with three beer cans.

## Whitehill Made Record With Whiskbroom

It was fortunite, of course, that the game didn't hinge on Jones' boner. It was fortunate, too, that Griffith Stadium's soft drinks are served in paper cups—the result of previous bottle-chucking scenes.

There have been other Griffith Stadium uprisings, the most memorable of which was the occasion when Umpire Brick Owen called a Lou Gehrig clout over the right-field wall a home run, to the surprise of Gehrig and the considerable disagreement of the customers who had reason to suspect the ball was at least 20 feet foul.

Pitcher Earl Whitehill, the victim of that blast at a time when the Nats were battling the New York Yankees for the pennant, still seethes at the thought of that decision. There was the risk at the time of Earl attempting to dissect Owen, but other Nats restrained him.

Whitehill, in his rage, couldn't get to Owen, but he did spy his whiskbroom. He grabbed it and set a Griffith Stadium record by arching that whiskbroom over the roof of the stands. Owen got a new broom, but he never quite retrieved his reputation as a good umpire with Washington fans.

## Umpires' Private Code Adds to Confusion

Earlier this season, Eddie Yost was a confused youngster when he heard Umpire Bill McKinley say "Ball four," then got to first base only to learn he was a strikeout victim. McKinley had changed his mind, apparently on a signal from another umpire, who thought Yost's swing went more than halfway.

They have signals, incidentally, even though they're reluctant to admit it. Those signals on occasion prevent more mistakes in a job which doesn't appear attractive, despite the hours.

# Keen Duel for Post Cup Looms As Linkswomen Play Off Tie

Ordinarily when a three-handicap player meets a 13-handicap golfer in a head-to-head match, the odds favor the top player despite the handicap difference, but in the case of the playoff for the Post Cup next week, the three-handicap player is plenty disturbed.

Mrs. A. B. Bower, one of the South's best woman golfers as "B" Little, when she was Kentucky State champion and a Maryland and District champion in the past few years, posted a 78-3—75 at Army Navy Club yesterday, but it only gained a tie.

Mrs. Bower's opponent in the playoff set for next Thursday morning will be Mrs. George E. Martin of Manor Club, who scored 88-13—75.

What's disturbing Mrs. Bower is that Mrs. Martin apparently is unstoppable in her drive to improve her golf game and might be a 10-handicap player next week, but still will get the same handicap allotment she received yesterday.

**Mrs. Martin Bettering Game.**

Last week Mrs. Martin took the first round lead in the Keefer Cup with a 91-16—75. Although she shot 100 the next day, she came back with an 89 at Belle Haven in the second team matches on Tuesday and her handicap dropped from 16 to 13 in the Post Cup. Otherwise she would have won the cup by three strokes.

Mrs. Martin has been playing golf less than two years—seriously for only one year. She has a relaxed and natural swing and took to the game quickly. She admitted she lost the Keefer Cup because she was excited, but each tournament gives her more of a competitive edge and 10 strokes may be a tremendous handicap for Mrs. Bower to overcome.

Mrs. Bower could have won if she had not been too bold. The Indian Spring shotmaker was out in 38, but was going for men's pars on the back nine and finally her boldness cost her a 6 on the comparatively easy par 4 15th.

**Low Gross to Mrs. Stokes.**

With Mrs. Bower in a playoff for low net, the low gross went to District Champion Mrs. W. R. Stokes of Manor, with an 81. The scoring was extremely low and the net 79s were out of the money, which is unusual.

Other prize winners were: Mrs. J. P. Trouchaud of Kenwood, 85-8—77; Mrs. S. F. Little of Army Navy, 85-8—77; Mrs. G. H. Bailey, jr., of Washington, 86-9—77; Mrs. M. J. Torlinski of Army Navy, 87-10—77; Margaret Cox of Prince Georges, 92-15—77; Mrs. Charles Frownfelter of Prince Georges, 89-11—78; Mrs. Haig Russell of Prince Georges, 90-12—78, and Mrs. M. H. Dinneen of Washington, 89-11—78.

The Woman's Golf Committee event at Congressional found Mrs. F. R. Dole the Class A flag tourney winner with a last shot 3 feet from the cup on the 17th green.

Mrs. G. M. Street won Class B by playing her last shot in the 18th fairway and Mrs. B. L. Eberts won class C by finishing on the 17th green. Mrs. D. L. Moorman won putting honors with 19.

## Armstrong Trackmen Win

Armstrong defeated Dunbar, 63⅓ to 59⅔ in their Negro Inter-high League track meet yesterday. Bill Newman of Armstrong won the high hurdle and high jump and was second in the broad jump to score 13 points.

## Woodward Tops Cadets

Ed Balderson, Bill Reid and Al Sheftell paced a 15-hit attack as Woodward School routed St. John's yesterday, 15-8.

# Baseball Standings and Schedules

SATURDAY, MAY 29, 1948.

**AMERICAN LEAGUE.**

**Results Yesterday.**
Wash., 2; Boston, 1.
Phila., 6; New York, 3.
St. Louis, 5; Detroit, 4.
Cleveland, 2; Chicago, 0.

**Games Today.**
Boston at Wash. (2), 1:30.
New York at Phila.
Cleveland at Chicago.
Detroit at St. Louis.

**Games Tomorrow.**
Boston at Washington.
New York at Phila. (2).
Cleveland at Chicago (2).
Detroit at St. Louis.

| Standing of Clubs | Philadelphia | Cleveland | New York | Detroit | St. Louis | Washington | Boston | Chicago | Won | Lost | Percentage | Games behind |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Philadelphia | — | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 23 | 10 | .697 | |
| Cleveland | 2 | — | 1 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 20 | 9 | .690 | 1 |
| New York | 2 | 2 | — | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 18 | 13 | .581 | 4 |
| Detroit | 2 | 2 | 2 | — | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 17 | 18 | .486 | 7 |
| St. Louis | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 | — | 3 | 2 | 3 | 14 | 15 | .483 | 7 |
| Washington | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | — | 1 | 4 | 14 | 19 | .424 | 9 |
| Boston | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | — | 2 | 13 | 19 | .406 | 9½ |
| Chicago | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | — | 7 | 23 | .233 | 14½ |
| Lost | 10 | 9 | 13 | 18 | 15 | 19 | 19 | 23 | | | | |

**NATIONAL LEAGUE.**

**Results Yesterday.**
St. L., 1; Pitts., 1 (rain).
Phila., 6; New York, 3.
Brooklyn, 7; Boston, 5.
Chicago, 10; Cinc., 8.

**Games Today.**
Phila. at New York.
Brooklyn at Boston (n).
St. Louis at Pittsburgh.
Chicago at Cincinnati.

**Games Tomorrow.**
Phila. at New York.
Brooklyn at Boston.
St. Louis at Pittsb'gh (2).
Chicago at Cinc. (2).

| Standing of Clubs | St. Louis | New York | Philadelphia | Boston | Pittsburgh | Brooklyn | Chicago | Cincinnati | Won | Lost | Percentage | Games behind |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| St. Louis | — | 1 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 20 | 10 | .667 | |
| New York | 2 | — | 2 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 17 | 13 | .567 | 3 |
| Philadelphia | 1 | 3 | — | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 18 | 16 | .529 | 4 |
| Boston | 2 | 2 | 2 | — | 1 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 16 | 15 | .516 | 4½ |
| Pittsburgh | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | — | 4 | 4 | 4 | 16 | 15 | .516 | 4½ |
| Brooklyn | 0 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 1 | — | 2 | 3 | 14 | 19 | .424 | 7½ |
| Chicago | 3 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | — | 3 | 13 | 18 | .419 | 7½ |
| Cincinnati | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | — | 13 | 21 | .382 | 9 |
| Lost | 10 | 13 | 16 | 15 | 15 | 19 | 18 | 21 | | | | |

# Stranahan Beats Stowe, 5-4, for British Title

## Rally by U. S. Amateur Upsets Briton After Even Morning Play

By the Associated Press

SANDWICH, England, May 29.—Frank Stranahan, Ohio's golfing millionaire, defeated Charles Stowe of England, 5 and 4, today and took over the British Amateur title surrendered by Willie Turnesa of White Plains, N. Y.

Stranahan won by taking five of the first six holes after lunch. The morning round, played in a drenching rain and high wind over the Royal St. Georges course, ended all even.

Today's triumph brought the wealthy young American his first major title. His ambition is to add the British and U. S. Open and the U. S. Amateur crown to the one he captured today.

Only during the lunch hour, when the players and the small gallery were off the 6,728-yard course, did the weather subside. The moment play was resumed the rain and wind began again. They needed 79 strokes each in the morning.

Stowe, who had lost to Stranahan in last year's Walker Cup matches, said the elements didn't bother him, although he was over par.

**"Very Lucky," Says Winner.**

"I was very lucky," Stranahan said, "I should have lost both the 23d and 24th holes—and I won them."

Turnesa was beaten yesterday by Stowe in a semifinal match, 1-up, to eliminate all chances of a second straight all-American final.

Stranahan joins such other famed United States golfers as Bobby Jones, Jess Sweetser, Bob Sweeny, Lawson Little, Charley Yates and Turnesa as winner of the British Amateur title.

What may have been the deciding shot of the day came on the 27th hole. Stowe, who predicted that he would beat Stranahan, had just cut two holes off Stranahan's advantage, when the American turned loose a tremendous 300-yard drive. Then came a No. 7 iron shot that landed 30 inches from the cup. Frank sank it for a birdie 3 for the four margin that he maintained to the end.

**Stranahan Takes Command.**

Stranahan won two of the first three holes after lunch to go 2 up.

It was raining so hard on the 20th that Stowe tucked his trousers into his socks.

The heavy rain slowed down as they left the 21st green and Stranahan took advantage of the break to win the next three holes and go 5 up.

On the 22d, Stowe missed a 5-foot putt that would have given him a half at par. The Briton dubbed a second shot on the next hole to go over par once more as the Ohioan tapped in a 6-footer.

Stranahan's tee shot on the 145-yard 24th buried itself in a bunker, but he recovered brilliantly. Then Stowe three-putted to go 5 down. At the end of 27, Stranahan was 4 up.

Stranahan and Stowe finished their morning 18-hole round all square when the English golfer rallied after the American had assumed a 3-hole lead on the first nine. Stove won the first three holes of the morning in-nine to level the count.

**Stowe Puts Up Fight.**

The Ohioan took the 14th to go 1 up again, but the Englishman drew even again on the short 16th. Stranahan's ball landed in a trap there and the ball was covered with wet sand as he tried to blast out. He needed a 4 to Stowe's 3.

Stranahan, making his third postwar bid for this title, had a chance to go 1 up on his opponent on the 18th, but missed a 4-foot putt.

Each of the players took 79 strokes for the par 70, 6,728 yard St. George's layout.

Par and cards for the first 18:

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|---|---|---|---|
| Par out | 443 | 443 | 534—34 |
| Stranahan out | 564 | 543 | 434—38 |
| Stowe out | 544 | 644 | 535—40 |
| Par in | 444 | 454 | 344—36—70 |
| Stranahan in | 554 | 545 | 445—41—79 |
| Stowe in | 443 | 565 | 345—39—79 |

Afternoon round:

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|---|---|---|---|
| Stranahan—Out | 444 | 543 | 533—35 |
| Stowe—Out | 554 | 654 | 425—40 |
| Stranahan—In | 543 | 54 | |
| Stowe—In | 444 | 55 | |

## Hoya, 2 Terps Remain In IC4-A Meet Finals

Special Dispatch to The Star

NEW YORK, May 29.—Maryland had qualified two men in three events and Georgetown a single runner as the IC4-A games headed into the final round today.

The Terps' crack hurdler, Mario Salvanelli, won his way into both low and high timber events yesterday while Augustus Eichhorn was earning a chance at the javelin title. Salvanelli's times were not announced, but Eichhorn heaved the spear 181 feet 3 inches.

Maryland's Ed Matthews was eliminated in the 440, but Georgetown's Ed Sause made the grade in a tough field. Jim Gilhooley of New York U. won his heat in 0:48.4 yesterday.

New York U. and Yale were expected to battle for the team crown. The former qualified 13 men and a mile relay team in nine events while Yale sent 11 men into the finals.

## Hermsen Signs With Caps

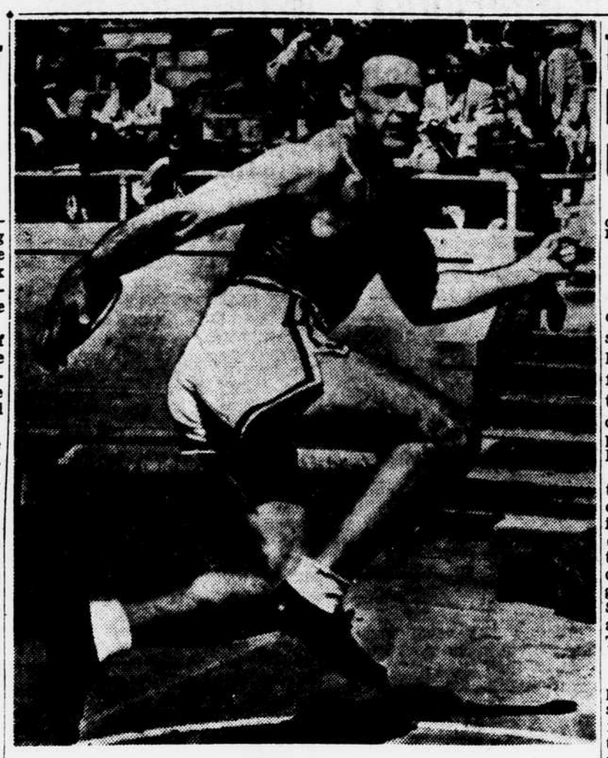
Clarence (Kleggie) Hermsen, 6-foot-9 pro courtman, signed with the Washington Caps yesterday and predicted he'd have a good season with the local club. Hermsen was obtained from the Baltimore Bullets in a deal that sent long John Mahnken to the neighboring city.

## Record Net Field Opens Star Meet

A record field of tennis players swung into action today in The Star's 20th annual City of Washington championship tournaments.

Teen-agers began play at 9 a.m. on Columbia Country Club courts, while preliminaries in men's and women's singles began an hour later on the Rock Creek courts at Sixteenth and Kennedy streets. Play was to continue all day at the latter court.

Six titles are at stake with Capt. Robin Hippensteil of the Army Air Forces seeded No. 1 in the men's group. Barney Walsh is not defending his crown.



FLYING SAUCER SPECIALIST—Here's Fortune Gordien of Minnesota winding up to toss the discus in preliminaries of the Western Conference title track meet at Madison, Wis., yesterday. Gordien heaved the plate 174 feet 4 inches to better the Big Nine record by 3 inches. —AP Wirephoto.

## Ferrick's Value in Relief Soars As Nats Trip Menacing Bosox

By Burton Hawkins

Pudgy-faced Tom Ferrick is the Nats' one-man rescue squad. He's a relief pitcher who has earned the gratitude of Sid Hudson, Walter Masterson and Ray Scarborough by preserving victories for them this season. Tom has made 10 appearances on the mound for Washington this year and has been unscored upon in nine.

Ferrick stepped into a tense situation last night at Griffith Stadium and stymied the Boston Red Sox for two innings, enabling Washington to leapfrog over Boston into sixth place with a 2-1 victory before 13,521 fans.

Two nights earlier towering Tom had walked into a bases-loaded crisis at Cleveland to retire Lou Boudreau for the final out of the eighth inning, then save a 2-0 triumph for Hudson by getting the Indians in order in the ninth.

With the exception of one excusable sour performance, when he yielded three runs to the Detroit Tigers in a driving rain which had transformed the mound into an oozy mess, Tom has been brilliant. He was clipped for six hits in one and two-thirds innings that night in a 14-9 game, but it was his lone failure.

**Valuable as Rally-Checker.**

Otherwise Ferrick has pitched 18⅓ innings, permitted no runs and only 10 hits. Over that span he has walked only four and struck out 11. He has been credited with only one win—he has lost none—but his value to the Nats as a rally-checker is mounting with every appearance.

Ferrick is a calm, deliberate right-hander with a low curve which is beaten into the ground, frequently easing him out of jams by setting up double-plays.

Tom was in trouble last night in the eighth inning when Dom Di Maggio singled and Bobby Doerr walked with one out, but Vern Stephens shot a double-play grounder to Shortstop Johnny Sullivan.

Again in the ninth Ferrick was in a predicament. With one out, Wally Moses batted for Mel Parnell and singled to center. Ferrick fanned Bill Goodman, but Johnny Pesky singled, and the bases were loaded when Ted Williams drilled a grounder to Sullivan, who fell down while trying to scamper to second for a force play on Pesky.

**Spence Stopped in Pinch.**

Boston had the potential winning run on second base, but a single by Stan Spence after the count reached 3 and 2 would have netted the Red Sox three runs and a 4-2 lead. Ferrick took a methodical windup, nevertheless, permitting all runners to romp, and retired Spence on an easy fly to Right-Fielder Tom McBride.

Scarborough, who notched his third win, limited the Red Sox to five hits in the seven innings he labored. He was nicked for a run in the fourth inning when Goodman scored from third base as Spence's grounder was fumbled by Shortstop Sam Meeks.

Eddie Yost's triple to center and Gil Coan's looping single to left got the Nats the tying run in the sixth. They fashioned the winning run in the seventh when Pinch-hitter Early Wynn singled to center with two out, scoring Carden Gillenwater, who had singled and shifted to second as Al Evans walked. It marked the second time in 10 days that a Wynn pinch-hit delivered the Nats a triumph.

Coan obtained three of the Nats' seven hits off Parnell, while Williams, Di Maggio and Parnell each got two of Boston's nine hits.

**Haefner, Welteroth Hurling.**

Mickey Haefner and Dick Welteroth were to face Boston's Earl Johnson and Jack Kramer in a double-header today at Griffith Stadium. The Nats will play a single game here with the Red Sox tomorrow, then journey to New York for a Monday twin bill and Tuesday night game with the Yankees.

NAT NOTES—Sherry Robertson, nursing torn knee ligaments, expects to be idle another two weeks . . . The Nats' outfielder already has been out of action nearly three weeks. . . . McBride is hitting left-handed pitching at a .400 clip . . . Against right-handers he has batted .320 for a combined .360 average.

The Nats have attempted 33 stolen bases and made good 19 times . . . Washington's foes have tried to steal 21 times and have been erased 17 times by Evans and Jake Early. . . Meeks made two successive fine plays to launch the game last night, stabbing Goodman's liner, then roaming far to his left for Pesky's grounder and whipping him out.

| Boston. | AB. | H. | O. | A. | Wash. | AB. | H. | O. | A. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Good'n,lf | 5 | 1 | 9 | 0 | Yost,3b | 4 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Pesky,3b | 4 | 1 | 1 | 3 | Kozar,3b | 4 | 0 | 4 | 2 |
| Will'ms,lf | 5 | 2 | 2 | 0 | Coan,lf | 4 | 3 | 4 | 0 |
| Spence,rf | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | M'Bride,rf | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| DiMag,cf | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | Vernon,1b | 3 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| Doerr,2b | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | Gil'w'r,cf | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| St'p'ns,ss | 3 | 0 | 3 | 4 | Evans,c | 2 | 0 | 6 | 2 |
| Batts,c | 4 | 0 | 6 | 2 | Meeks,ss | 2 | 0 | 3 | 2 |
| Parnell,p | 3 | 2 | 0 | 3 | Ferrick,p | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| †Moses | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | Sc'b'gh,p | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| | | | | | Sul'van,ss | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | | *Christ'n | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | | †Wynn | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 35 | 9 | 24 | 13 | Totals | 28 | 7 | 27 | 10 |

*Fouled out for Meeks in seventh.
†Singled for Scarborough in seventh.
‡Singled for Parnell in ninth.

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| Washington | 000 001 10x | —2 |

Runs—Goodman. Yost. Gillenwater. Error—Meeks. Runs batted in—Spence. Coan. Wynn. Two-base hit—Williams. Three-base hit—Yost. Stolen base—Coan. Double play—Sullivan, Kozar and Vernon. Left on bases—Boston, 12; Washington, 4. Bases on balls—Off Parnell, 2; off Scarborough, 4; off Ferrick, 1. Strike outs—By Parnell, 3; by Scarborough, 4; by Ferrick, 2. Hits—Off Scarborough, 5 in 7 innings; off Ferrick, 4 in 2 innings. Winning pitcher—Scarborough. Umpires—Papparella, Summers, Stevens and Jones. Time—2:16. Attendance—13,521.

## Rockville Girls Sparkle

The girls' softball team at Rockville Rickard Montgomery High School boasts a season record of 8 won and 2 lost after finishing yesterday with a 7-1 triumph over Damascus High. Sue Glauque's homer was a feature.

# Citation Rated Jersey Shoo-In; Coaltown Flirts With Record

By the Associated Press

CAMDEN, N. J., May 29.—Barring the turf upset of a generation, Citation will move into fifth place among the money winners along about 4:30 p.m., Eastern daylight time, today.

That is the hour when the chestnut flyer from Warren Wright's Calumet Farm is expected to lead five other 3-year-olds over Garden State Park's mile and one-quarter racing strip in the $50,000-added Jersey Stakes.

Victory for the Kentucky Derby and Preakness winner would push Citation's earnings to $468,000, past Seabiscuit and only a little less than $100,000 behind Whirlaway, who also raced for Calumet.

Ahead of Whirlaway's bank account of $,561,161 stand an Assault Armed (another bearer of the Calumet red devil silks) and Stymie.

If all six of the overnight entries face Starter George Palmer today, the Jersey will have a gross value of $62,900, with a net of $44,300 going to the winner.

Weather clear, track fast was the forecast. That may mean a turnout of over 42,000.

There has been much talk over Citation giving away weight for the first time this year and meeting two horses who never have tangled with him.

If the Calumet flyer pays off at better than 1 to 5, it will be a real surprise. In the Kentucky Derby he was 2 to 5 and in the Preakness 1 to 10 and in both races he merely toyed with his rivals.

The track is taking no chance of losing money. Acting on approval of the New Jersey State Racing Commission, Donovan announced there would be straight wagering only.

NEW YORK, May 29 (AP).—Most everybody conceded Coaltown victory in the 73d, running of the $25,000 added Withers Stakes at Belmont today. Now they're wondering if he'll flirt with another track speed record.

The No. 2 colt in the Calumet Farm 3-year-old division has only three others blocking the way in this ancient one-mile test—Ben Whitaker's My Request, C. V. Whitney's Vulcan's Forge and King Ranch's Better Self. All will carry 126 pounds.

Coaltown, who undoubtedly will go postward a prohibitive choice, may run into a sloppy track if the weatherman's forecast of showers develops. He can collect $20,100 by hitting the wire first.

**Delaware Park Opens.**

STANTON, Del., May 29 (AP).—Delaware Park opens its traditional 30-day meeting today with the running of the $10,000 Wilmington Handicap.

Twenty sprint specialists headed by John L. McKnight's Agrarian-U and Main Chance Farm's Beaugay were named overnight for the 6-furlong feature.

Despite the large number of entries, Racing Secretary Gil Haus said the field will not be split.

Agrarian-U, recent winner of a division of the Apache Handicap at Jamaica, and Beaugay, who was nipped at the wire by the fleet Itsabet in the Colonial feature at Garden State Park, both will carry 119 pounds.

Fifteen stakes are to be renewed during the meeting winding up on July 5 holiday afternoon. There is no daily double wagering.

## Third Title for Coolidge In Row Looms After Upset by Eastern

Playoff Standings.

| | W. | L. | | W. | L. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Coolidge | 2 | 0 | Anacostia | 1 | 1 |
| Eastern | 1 | 1 | *Tech | 0 | 2 |

*Eliminated.

By Bill Fuchs

For one that didn't expect to cause much trouble any time all season, the Coolidge baseball team has turned in a remarkable performance. Today, the Colts lead the District public high school championship playoff and are in a position to retain the crown they have worn the last two years.

The Colts, considered greener than new grass when the season opened, first surprised by getting into the playoff tournament. They caused eyebrows to lift again yesterday by upsetting previously undefeated Eastern, 8-2, in the first game of a double-header at Griffith Stadium. Anacostia also registered an upset in a 3-0 game that tossed Tech out of the playoffs.

**Colts' Coach Is Surprised.**

"I didn't expect to make the playoffs at the beginning of the season," Colt Coach Carl Heintel remarked yesterday. "I had only three lettermen back from last season—Shortstop Jess Houston and Outfielders Jim Colliton and Stan Greenberg.

"We lost our first two round robin games and everything looked drab. I certainly didn't expect to be where we are today."

Eastern and Anacostia will battle Tuesday at the Stadium for the right to meet the Colts for the championship. The victor then would have to take two straight to wrest the laurels from the Colts.

Pitcher Benny Duvall, 5-foot 8-inch southpaw, held Eastern to three hits—all singles to center field. The Colts hit Starter Frank Utley for three runs in the first on a walk to Houston and singles by George Ashton, Rod Hegarty, Dick Kidwell and Jack Brosnan. Two Eastern errors gave the Colts another run in the second.

**Colliton's Blow Seals Win.**

Eddie Kline took over for Utley in the second and gave up no runs and only three hits until the seventh when he walked three to fill the bases which were cleared by a triple by Colliton. Colliton's hit went 340 feet to the wall.

Even more spectacular was Bob Mitchell's hit for Anacostia in the eighth inning of the second game. It bounded against the left field wall 405 feet from the plate and came with two men on to account for the Indians' second and third runs. The Indians had tallied earlier when Second Baseman Ralph Fraser walked, stole second and third and went home on Jerry McPherson's single.

George Sengstack went the distance for the Indians, giving up three hits, while the winners garnered four off Bob Stewart and Bob Quinn.

## Bethesda Golfers Nab 4th School Team Title

Coach Alan Vogt, who devotes most of his spring and early summer afternoons to the Bethesda High School golf team, produced a champion for the fourth straight year yesterday when Bethesda locked up the Metropolitan section of the schoolboy golf league with a 5-4 triumph over Blair at Congressional.

Bethesda won without its captain and star player, Stanley Mouser, who has been out of the past three matches with an infected hand.

Bethesda did not get a man to the semifinals of the schoolboy golf championship, but the team has balance and its strength in the third bracket, where the winners picked up three points, contributed heavily to the triumph over previously unbeaten Blair.

Bethesda's triumph makes a playoff with the Washington interhigh champion unnecessary, as the Barons defeated Coolidge, current Dawes Cup leader, 8-1 last week.

Results of the match that decided the championship:

Eugene Wolfe (Blair) defeated Sullivan, 2 up; Mair (Bethesda) defeated Dabbs, 2 and 1; best-ball, Bethesda, 5 and 4.

Rickey Wolfe (Blair) defeated Eisinger, 3 and 2; Ferguson (Blair) defeated Latman, 1 up, 19 holes; best-ball, Blair, 1 up.

R. Wolfe (Bethesda) defeated McLaughlin, 6 and 5; Janson (Bethesda) defeated Kelly, 5 and 4; best-ball, Bethesda, 3 and 2.

In other Metro League matches Georgetown Prep blanked St John's, 9-0, and Gonzaga defeated Devitt, 5½ to 3½.

In Interhigh League play, Coolidge chalked up its fifth straight win by routing Anacostia, 7½ to 1½, while Western swamped Roosevelt, 8 to 1.

## Sherman Upset Victor In Masonic Pin Event

Otho Sherman of Warren G. Harding Lodge with a gross score of 435, which included a 28-pin handicap, won the annual Shah Trophy tournament, in which 48 Masonic League bowlers competed at Colonial Village last night. With games of 130, 157 and 120, the surprising victor counted high scratch set of 407.

Bransdorf of Benjamin Franklin Lodge, and another dark horse, finished second with 32-400. Elvin Shank of Hiram was third with 12-395, Major Robb of St. John's, fourth, 18-393, and Arthur Nelson of Hope No. 1 team, fifth, 10-387.

## Medal Victory by Wenzel All for D. C. at Richmond

Special Dispatch to The Star

RICHMOND, Va., May 29.—Bill Wenzel of Congressional Country Club won the medal for the qualifying round in the seventh annual Valentine Invitational golf tournament at Hermitage Country Club yesterday in a playoff, but that was the only honor garnered by a trio of golfers from Washington, D. C.

Wenzel, who qualified with five others at 74 on Thursday, lost his opening-round match to L. W. Black of Hermitage, 2 and 1. Ed Semmler of Kenwood was eliminated by Bill Brown of Hermitage by a similar margin, while Jerry Hart of Prince Georges fell before Nelson Broach, Richmond champion, 1 up.

Broach was to meet Walter Hagen, jr., in one semifinals match today while Brown, who eliminated Black, tees off against Jim Reynolds in the other.

## Ace Car Drivers In 500-Mile Auto Race Monday

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—AP Photos.

## Lanham Win Is Third In Week for Schaefer

Ed Schaefer, who gets his mail at Floral Park, Long Island, completed a big week on the doodlebug circuit when he whizzed home ahead of four rivals in the 25-lap feature at West Lanham Speedway last night. It was his third major win of the week in the souped-up soapbox specials.

It was an all-Offenhauser finish, with Larry Bloomer, who qualified by winning the third heat of the preliminaries, finishing second. George Fonder and Charley Miller trailed in that order.

Schaefer had the pole position and led all the way. He qualified for the finale by outspeeding Walt Fair and Shorty McAndrews in the second trial heat.

George Wonder won the first heat. Schaefer and Bloomer won the semifinal rides around the nearby oval, while the 15-lap consolation went to McAndrews, with Mike Joseph second.

## Bogley Is Heavy Favorite Over Wesley in Net Final

Ed Wesley had trouble getting by Jack Yates in yesterday's semifinal round in the District interscholastic tennis tournament, but it was nothing compared to what he could expect in today's title match with Gil Bogley, defending champion.

Wesley, seeded No. 2, downed third-seeded Yates, 6—4, 9—7, while Bogley breezed by Dick Stoever, 6—1, 6—3, on Landon School's courts. Bogley already has one decision over Wesley this season and was a heavy favorite to trip the Georgetown Prep ace again today.

The doubles wind-up will be an all-Landon affair, with Bogley and Yates meeting Ray Lewis and Ted Rogers.

## Mrs. Kerkam Flag Victor

Mrs. John Kerkam reached the 18th green to win the women's class A flag tournament yesterday at Columbia Country Club. Mrs. Hugh MacKenzie took class B honors.

## Navy Crews in Clean Sweep Over Cornell; Truman Spectator

By the Associated Press

ANNAPOLIS, Md., May 29.—The crewmen of Navy gave June Week a big sendoff today by defeating the oarsmen from Cornell in four straight races, winding up with a victory by the varsity.

The powerful Navy varsity, watched by President Truman and a party of Navy notables, handed Cornell its first defeat in the final race by one and a quarter lengths. The Middies were timed at 9 minutes, 54 seconds, in their one-and-three-quarter-mile pull down the historic Severn River. Cornell was timed at 9 minutes, 58.8 seconds.

Working up to a powerful 34 beat, the Navy plebes came in 4 lengths ahead of Cornell in the 1¾-mile downstream pull. The plebes were timed in 9 minutes 52.1 seconds.

The third varsity, which also beat Cornell by four lengths, was timed at 8 minues, 44 seconds in the 1¼-mile haul upriver.

The Navy Jayvees crossed the finish line on the Severn River just three-quarters of a length ahead of Cornell's junior varsity. At the end the Middies had pulled up to a beat of 38 strokes to the minute and were timed at 8 minutes, 42 seconds on the 1¾-mile pull upstream.

## 500-Mile Auto Classic Final Tests Today

By the Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS, May 29.—Twelve to 25 cars will scramble from noon to sundown today for three remaining spots in the lineup for the 32d annual 500-mile race Monday.

Some of the 30 previous qualifiers were not too secure and would be ousted if more than three cars bettered their qualifying speeds.

It was the biggest last-minute battle for starting positions in Indianapolis Motor Speedway history.

This year's race seems likely to be unique on several counts. The original entry list of 80 cars was the biggest ever. Sixty-five cars actually reached the track, and that also was a record. The big field resulted in an unprecedented shortage of drivers, with the better known pilots just about having their pick of cars.

Monday's show will draw some 150,000 spectators and they may see the fastest of the 32 races. Qualification speeds indicated a half-dozen cars had the stuff to beat Floyd Roberts' record of 117.2 miles an hour that has stood since 1937.

The chances for a new record depend largely on the weather and whether there are accidents that force slow driving while the debris is being cleared away. The speedway has been phenomenally lucky as to weather—not so lucky on accidents.

## La Motta in Fine Trim For Stribling Bout

Jake La Motta is back in fighting trim again after a six-month layoff that shot his weight to more than 180. A month of steady roadwork and gymnasium routine have stripped him to 164, his first workout at Turner's Arena yesterday revealed.

Jake is showing his wares there prior to taking on Ken Stribling, local middleweight, in the 10-round main event Monday night at Griffith Stadium. It will be La Motta's first fight since his kayo loss to Billy Fox in Madison Square Garden last November.

Yesterday at Turner's he sparred one round against Slim Grazette and two against Terry Gibson and looked fair against both. He didn't extend himself, but showed his style as that of a crouching body puncher. He's a slipper, one who comes in between blows to get in his own good work, and his crouching style makes him a different target.

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## Weapons Now Exist That Peril World

### Could Wipe Out Last Vestige of All Forms of Life.

NEW YORK.—Weapons now exist, without including the atomic bomb, "that could wipe the last vestige of human, animal and vegetable life from the face of the earth," according to Rear Admiral Ellis M. Zacharias, U. S. N., retired.

"These weapons exist," Zacharias wrote in the United Nations World, a privately financed magazine and not an official U. N. publication. "They are being manufactured right now and they are not an American monopoly. Several nations are known to have them."

The admiral described the weapons—"shrouded in the closest military secrecy"—as of a biological, bacteriological and climateological nature.

He added that the United States now has an atom bomb 50 times more powerful than those dropped at Nagasaki and Hiroshima.

Russia, the navy man asserted, is investigating military applications of cosmic rays and is proceeding with rocket development; Britain is making progress in guided missiles, and the United States has a secret biological weapon, "a germ proposition" sprayed from aircraft or rockets.

"These modern weapons," Zacharias said, "bear only slight similarity to conventional armaments of the past, permit the waging of inter-continental war from long distances. They are designed to destroy life in enormous areas."

Furthermore, he said, the new weapons are of such a nature that their lethal quality continues long after actual use, would jump international-boundaries and oceans.

Areas attacked would have to be quarantined and it might be "a thousand years before those blasted areas will again support life of any kind."

**Crimpy Rayon Staple**

Viscose rayon staple with a permanent kink or crimp, which makes fabrics feel crisper or bulkier, is the latest textile product placed on the market. It makes soft-nap fabrics, such as blankets, warm without excess weight by keeping the fibers from matting. It also makes higher twist fabrics, such as gabardines, feel lively and crisp. Fabrics woven of the new crimped staple also resist raveling at the seams in laundering much more than fabrics made of regular staple, it is claimed.

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

# Truman Asks Tax Cut in Message, Arouses Strong GOP Opposition; Brazil Moves to Oust Communists

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(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysis and not necessarily of this newspaper.)

## MESSAGE:
*Tax Issue*

Whether President Harry Truman's state of the union message to congress was "socialistic," as Republican partisans dubbed it, or "forthright and courageous," as in the eyes of loyal Democrats, remained a matter of opinion, but it was fairly obvious that in making it the President had cast a loving glance toward next November's election day.

He proposed a combination tax-cutting-and-raising device that manifestly has no chance of passage in the Republican dominated congress but one that sounds good to a lot of voters.

His plan, embodying tax-relief to the "little man," would give each individual taxpayer an immediate $40 tax cut for himself and for each dependent. To offset that reduction in federal income he proposed that corporation taxes be raised by 3.2 billion dollars.

Mr. Truman presented the scheme as a "cost of living" credit designed primarily to relieve the small taxpayer.

In a phrase certain to be quoted with relish by Democratic orators during the coming campaign, the President said he wants to keep revenue collections where they are and still help those who need relief to "buy the necessities of life."

Supplementing the tax proposals he called for a 75-cent-per-hour minimum wage, representing a 35-cent increase over the present 40-cent minimum. Although in the past he has favored raising the national minimum wage, the 75-cent figure was the highest flat demand he has made.

General tone of the President's message to the joint session led most observers to believe that he was swinging his administration back to "a little left of center," a point which generally is identified with New Deal philosophies.

Some saw in the speech a perceptible bid for the left-wing and liberal vote that Henry Wallace's third party is threatening to take away from the Democrats.

Republican reaction to Mr. Truman's speech was bitter and intense and the G.O.P. went ahead more determinedly with its own tax-reduction bill.

**AND FURTHERMORE . . .**

**Taxes were not the only controversial issue touched upon by Mr. Truman in his message to congress. He also asked for:**

**1. The once-rejected 10-point anti-inflation program with power to impose wage and price controls and rationing.**
**2. Universal military training.**
**3. Authorization of the four-year Marshall plan.**
**4. Stronger and extended rent controls.**
**5. Public housing for low-income families and government action to cut building costs.**
**6. Modernization of farm price supports and broader crop insurance.**
**7. Extension of unemployment compensation, old age and survivors' benefits, a national health plan and federal financial aid for education.**
**8. Admission of European refugees into the U. S.**
**9. Statehood for Alaska and Hawaii.**

## SURPRISE:
*Back Again*

Don't look now or you might see another one of those flying saucers. It seems as though they're back again.

Col. Guy F. Hix, commander of Godman field, Fort Knox, Ky., spotted one from the airport's observation tower and had it chased by national guard planes and followed from the ground by state highway patrolmen.

The "saucer," said Colonel Hix, was "very white and looked like an umbrella."

Pilots of the planes which pursued the object reported they had climbed to 20,000 feet and the disk was still above them. They estimated its speed at about 180 miles an hour.

Further evidence was provided by highway patrol headquarters at Elizabethtown, Ky., which reported receiving calls from cruisers whose occupants said the saucer resembled an "ice cream cone with a little fire at the bottom."

## Still Circulating

**Publicity-shy as ever, Charles A. Lindbergh turned up in the news again when he arrived at Haneda airfield at Tokyo. Presumably he went to Japan to make an inspection tour of facilities of Pan-American Airways there, but all Lindbergh said was that he had nothing to say.**

## KNOCKOUT:
*Brazil*

Brazil, which severed diplomatic relations with Russia in a huff last October, now has administered what looks like the coup de grace to Red activity within its own borders.

It came in the form of a law, signed amid great furor by President Enrico Dutra, virtually abolishing every vestige of Communist action in Brazil by removing all Communists from elective posts throughout the nation, including congressmen.

The process of outlawing the Reds was far from a calm one, marked at times by dramatic displays of Latin-American verve and temper.

Fist fights broke out frequently on the floor of the chamber of deputies, and at one point during the debate the session was suspended temporarily when three deputies pulled guns from their pockets and waved them at three Communist members. No shots were fired.

Outside the building private citizens argued vociferously and exchanged blows. Leftist crowds shouted vengeance on the deputies and police sirens screamed through downtown Rio de Janeiro.

It was, by and large, the most turbulent legislative session ever held in Brazil.

Other nations could take an object lesson from Brazil's achievement. Communists can be frozen out of government activity even though the process may be noisy and painful.

## EITHER, OR:
*Marshall*

"Either undertake to meet the requirements of the problem or don't undertake it at all."

In that blunt fashion, Secretary of State George Marshall made a preliminary plea to the 80th congress for passage of his European recovery plan. It was apparent that he believed the "requirements of the situation" were exactly as he and the administration had outlined them to the public.

Marshall rejected the Republican-backed proposal to create a new government corporation to administer the aid program, and he asked for a single administrator responsible to the President and working in conjunction with the secretary of state.

There is neither time nor justifiable opportunity for congressional paring of the Marshall plan, he intimated. The 6.8 billion dollars which President Truman has asked for the first 15 months of the plan is a precisely calculated figure, the secretary said, which "does not represent a generous estimate of requirements."

At the same time responsible Republican leaders were predicting that congress would approve a modified European relief program which would be kept under a 5-billion-dollar cost during its initial period.

Marshall repeated earlier estimates that the total cost might range between 15.1 and 17.8 billion dollars. And, he said, the first appropriation should be enough to get the program under way "on a broad, sound basis and not in a piecemeal manner."

But that now was up to congress, which would be hearing more administration testimony on behalf of the Marshall plan before it got to work on the measure.

*MOTORING PUBLIC*

## There'll Be More New Cars This Year

Thousands of would-be car owners were bitterly disappointed last year because they couldn't get the buggy they wanted so much.

But this year things will be different—maybe. Because a lot more passenger automobiles are expected to come off the assembly lines some of the industry's seers are predicting that cars will be easier to get by the end of 1948.

Against that viewpoint, however, is the fact that 1949 models will begin to appear during the latter months of the year and thus bring a new flood of orders, many of them from owners of 1946 and 1947 vehicles. Also, the word is that 1949 models will be so radically different as to bring back into the market those who may have been "scared out by price advances."

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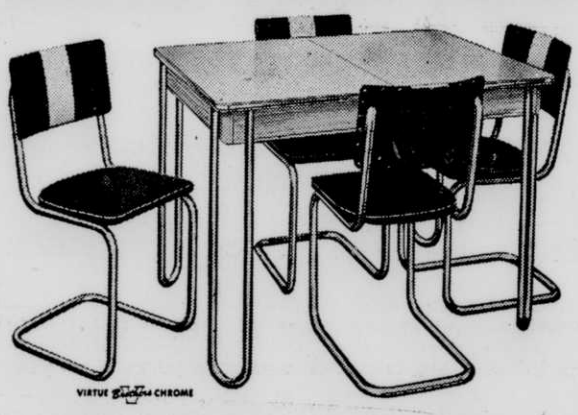
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GENERAL CONVERSATION—Dwight D. Eisenhower, Columbia president, and Gov. Dewey, GOP presidential nominee, talk over the Berlin "crisis" at Dewey's Pawling, N. Y., farm.

LEVIATHAN—Navy's largest plane, the 92-ton Constitution, lands at Patuxent River Airport, Md., after 2,600-mile hop from California in 10 hours, 19 minutes. Craft carries 180.

REPORT—A Bedouin private (left) tells Lt. Gen. John Bagot Glubb Pasha, British commander of the Trans-Jordan Legion, of his latest brush with Jewish forces outside Jerusalem.

CROSS FIRE—Ku Klux Klan burns a huge cross atop Stone Mountain, near Atlanta, Ga., while initiating 700. Hooded order is reviving with resentment at civil rights program.

# The WORLD This WEEK

## Truman & Congress Duel on Inflation

PRESIDENT TRUMAN threw down the gauntlet to Congress this week, daring them to pick it up. Face to face with the lawmakers whose record he has called "one of the worst in history," Mr. Truman spelled out his program for curbing inflation, relieving the housing shortage and raising the standard of living.

Republican leaders, after consulting with Gov. Dewey, the GOP presidential nominee, decided to take up only 3 of the President's 11 specific recommendations—anti-poll tax, anti-inflation and housing measures.

In a caustically worded statement, Republicans said Mr. Truman's call for the special session was "solely a political maneuver." They did not intend, they said, to open Pandora's box on legislative turkeys the New Deal had been unable to pass in the 14 years it ruled Washington.

In his special message, the President avoided the provocative, partisan attack which featured his acceptance speech at the Philadelphia convention but he made little effort to soothe ruffled feelings in either branch of Congress, irrespective of party.

Included in his 11-point message was the full civil rights program he first outlined last February which led to the Southern revolt. If Mr. Truman's irate Dixie foes needed any fresh spur, they got it from two executive orders which instituted an FEPC for federal workers and an anti-discrimination drive in the armed forces.

### A Stern Message

It was a grim, fighting speech the President made. And it was received grimly in one of the coldest receptions ever accorded a Chief Executive. Republican majorities in both houses sat on their hands and southern Democrats conspicuously did not applaud.

"High prices are not taking time off for election," Mr. Truman said. "High prices are not waiting until the next session of Congress."

Warning that world peace depends upon the strength of American economy at a time when Communists are counting on its collapse, he demanded eight powers to combat the high cost of living. They included price controls, rationing, excess profits taxes, credit controls, banning of speculation on commodity exchanges, allocation of scarce materials, rent controls and standby power to freeze wages if they threaten to limit production or raise prices.

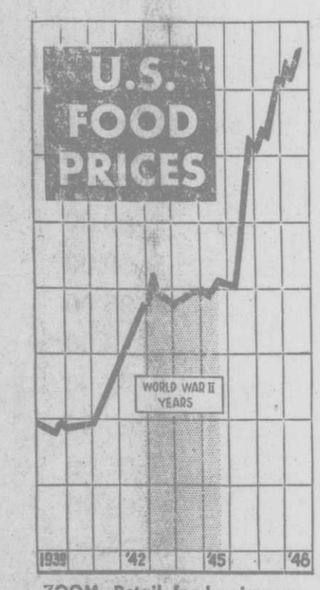
### Not a New Program

It was not a new program. Except for immediate, rather than standby, price controls, it did not differ greatly from the one he submitted to another special session last November 17.

Mr. Truman added one anti-inflation step this week—an excess profits tax.

The people rightfully look to Washington for "decisive action" in this time of stress, he concluded. "I hope the American people will not look to us in vain."

PRESIDENT TRUMAN
*. . . Inflation Hits Everyone . . .*




ZOOM—Retail food prices are highest in history. Index is at 214.1, compared with 1939 average of 100, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

## 'Camid'

### Land, Sea & Air 'Invasion'

For the first time, all branches of the armed services will take part in joint land, sea and air invasion exercises for embryonic officers.

Navy ships, planes and submarines, Air Force jet fighters, Marine assault troops and Army paratroopers will attack Virginia beaches during the third annual "Camid" (Cadet-Midshipmen) war games beginning August 9.

Purpose of the games is to teach West Point cadets and Annapolis midshipmen how to run combined invasion operations.

Some 7,500 men, including a big group of midshipmen returning from a summer cruise in the Mediterranean, will practice the difficult art of seaborne invasion.

The climax of the war games will be an August 20 landing operation through the surf at Camp Pendleton, near Virginia Beach. It will be open to the public.

## People

### Premier Marie

Andre Marie, 50, a lawyer and a wartime resistance leader, heads the ninth new government France has had in the last three years. His new cabinet, like its predecessor, contains no Communists. It is made up of parties that favor the cause of the western Allies.

MARIE

Marie, who first became a member of the French Parliament in 1928, is a leader of the Radical Socialists, actually a moderate centrist party. It was the dominant party in the prewar Third Republic. Now it is one of the smallest in the Fourth Republic, controlling only 43 of the National Assembly's 619 seats.

Marie was imprisoned by the Nazis in Buchenwald concentration camp from 1943 to 1945. He has been in ill health ever since.

President Vincent Auriol asked Marie to form a new cabinet after collapse of the government headed by Robert Schuman. Schuman's regime lasted a fairly long time as French cabinets go—eight months.

Schuman maneuvered France toward stability past two political extremes—Communists on the extreme left and the Rally of the French People (RPF), headed by Gen. De Gaulle on the right.

Schuman is Marie's new foreign minister. He replaces Georges Bidault, who represented France in all major international conferences since 1945.

## GERMANY: Key in the East-West Dispute

WHEN James J. Byrnes stepped down as U.S. Secretary of State in January, 1947, he was tired and ill. It had taken more than a year of wrangling with Russia to complete peace treaties for the Hitler satellite states. Byrnes had no stomach for the task ahead. It might take two years, he estimated dourly, to write treaties for Germany and Austria.

Secretary Marshall, his successor, must often have thought since then that Byrnes was guilty of understatement.

Marshall has attended two meetings of Big Four foreign ministers. The Moscow session was a deadlock. The London parley ended in a breakdown of Big Four conferences at the top level.

After Moscow, Marshall said treaties for Europe could not wait for Stalin's formula of "compromise through exhaustion." At London, Marshall said, "The Soviet government alone refuses to agree. I suggest the council adjourn."

### No More Waiting

Since then, the west has not waited for Russia. The three western occupation zones were merged economically. A separate state for western Germany is to be created. A new currency for the western zones has been established. Ruhr coal and steel production has been lifted and plans for its control, without Russia, have been formulated.

Berlin, the four-power capital deep within the Soviet zone, became an arena of east-west conflict. Russia urged, then threatened the western powers to get out.

The Soviet land blockade forced Britain and the United States into an unprecedented air supply system.

As tension mounted, Britain, France and the U. S. demanded that Moscow lift the Berlin blockage. The Kremlin flatly rejected the protests, hinted that the blockade would be lifted only if negotiations were reopened on the whole German question. The west retorted it would not confer under any threat of coercion; the blockade must be lifted first.

### White House Parleys

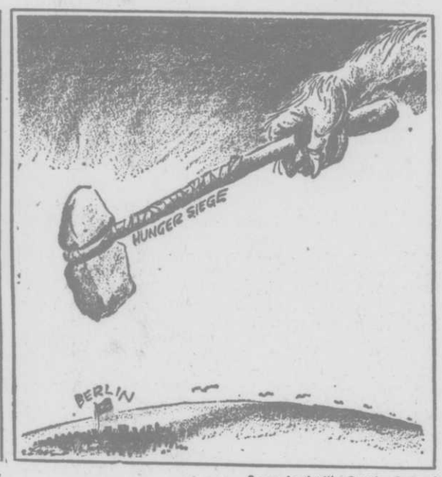
President Truman brought home Lt. Gen. Lucius Clay, American commander in Germany, and his diplomatic aid, Ambassador Robert Murphy, for White House conferences.

In London, British foreign secretary Ernest Bevin conferred with Charles E. Bohlen, U. S. State Department counsellor; Lewis W. Douglas, ambassador to Britain, and W. Bedell Smith, American ambassador to Moscow, before addressing the House of Commons on the Berlin crisis.

In Paris, Germany was still the big topic, even while a new French cabinet was forming under Premier Andre Marie.

These conferences patently sought a new diplomatic approach to the dispute over Germany. The pattern, evident since rupture of the Big Four talks in London last December, seemed about to swing back to round table conferences—tough talk instead of tough actions.

Russell, Los Angeles Times
THE SHAPE OF THINGS OVER BERLIN




Page, Louisville Courier-Journal
MEDIEVAL WEAPON

## Jets and More Jets

IT WAS a week of international air power demonstrations. In Moscow, Russia unveiled several new jet fighters and bombers. British jets engaged in large scale maneuvers over the south of England. A British jet transport zipped 213 miles from London to Paris in 34 minutes 7 seconds, a new record.

At New York, the U. S. Air Force flashed the speed and power of its new planes at the International Air Exposition opening the big new International Airport. A flight of 750 fighters and bombers, led by jets, raced over the field at 500 feet. Three B-29s took off for a non-stop flight to Los Angeles and back.

### New Jet Trainer

Earlier in the week, the Air Force took the wraps off its first two-place trainer for the Shooting Star jet fighter and a new six-jet bomber.

Sixteen American jet fighters zoomed into Germany to bulwark U. S. air power in the occupation zone. Seventy-five more will follow shortly.

The annual Soviet show in Moscow was watched by Prime Minister Stalin and directed by his son, Maj. Gen. Vassily Stalin. Transport planes were led by a Tupolev aircraft carrying 75 passengers and there were "aerial trains" of fast transports towing gliders.

### Russia's New Jets

American military observers were impressed with several new jet fighters and bombers.

The newest jets, which had not previously been unveiled, came over singly at long intervals. The first of these flew at terrific speed. After two of these passed, they were followed by a brand new jet fighter with obviously greater speed. Then another new plane, and finally, fastest of all, a new jet of which two were shown.

## Dates

**Tuesday, August 3**

Anniversary (34th), Germany declared war on England and France, World War I.

Virginia, Kansas & Missouri primaries.

**Wednesday, August 4**

Anniversary (158th), U. S. Coast Guard.

Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities opens hearings on Communism in unions.

**Thursday, August 5**

Tennessee primary.

**Saturday, August 7**

Kentucky primary.

## Heirs

### Where There's a Will . . .

A wartime mine detector, which once clicked warningly at German mines in North Africa, is being used in London in a final effort to find the will of a secretive, rich old lady with a habit of hiding things.

Mrs. Daisy Alexander was 80 when she died of shock following a bomb explosion in 1940. She was the daughter of Isaac Singer, whose inventions created the Singer Sewing Machine Co.

Mrs. Alexander lived in Grosvenor Square, near the American embassy, in an old house which she retained despite many efforts to evict her. Her wealth was estimated at more than $12,000,000 and her annual income, which she scarcely touched, amounted to $160,000.

The old lady made at least five or six wills, her attorney said, but after her death the only one found was 40 years old.

Mrs. Alexander's heirs believe she may have hidden a later will. The old house, they suspect, holds the secret.

The Labor government has leased the building for offices, but this week the Ministry of Works gave permission to the executors to go over the walls with a mine detector in the hope of discovering a safe concealed in the thick masonry.

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## Look!

### Sky's the Limit

It doesn't take much, in an uneasy postwar world, to start people seeing things in the sky. A year ago it was flying saucers. This year it's rocket ships, or meteors, or huge balls of fire.

The first report this year was by two Eastern Airlines pilots, each a fighter pilot during the war. They said they saw a huge, wingless, mystery plane, spouting fire, near Montgomery, Ala., on the Atlanta-Houston flight. It was doing 500 to 700 miles an hour, they said.

A passenger, Clarence L. McKelvie, buttressed their report by declaring he had seen a "flash of cherry red fire" but it was so bright it dazzled his eyes and he couldn't further describe it.

An Atlanta hunter stalking game in north Georgia reported "an unusually bright light—as a lighted room," at about the same time the Eastern Airlines pilots said they saw "it" over Alabama.

"It" was an aluminum covered balloon to observers at Yakima, Wash., where police were swamped with excited calls and inquiries. "It" was reported moving westerly, at a great height and against strong winds.

An Indianapolis housewife saw "it" too. "It" shot out two jets of flame and after about three minutes "flared up, shot the works and disappeared."

On the west coast, two Civil Aeronautics Administration observers kept their binoculars trained on "it" for hours and came up with the observation that "it" was neither a weather balloon nor an advertising blimp. "It" moved too fast for that, they said.

The Army, as usual, denied any responsibility.

## In Short . . .

**Suggested:** By the Duke of Bedford, British pacifist, that Britain and western Europe disarm completely and rely for protection on the United States.

**Gripped:** North Carolina, by its worst polio epidemic in history, more than 900 cases reported since January 1.

**Killed:** 13 coal miners, 4 injured, by a blast in King Mine, Princeton, Ind.

## Quotes

**Gov. Dewey,** Republican nominee for President: "In Berlin we must not surrender our rights under duress."

**Henry A. Wallace,** Progressive Party nominee for President: "If I were President, there would be no crisis in Berlin today."

**President Truman,** Democratic nominee for President: "Communists, here and abroad, do not believe we can—or will—put the brake on high prices. They are counting on economic collapse in this country."

**Gov. J. Strom Thurmond** of S. Carolina, States Rights Party nominee for President: "I'm not interested one whit in white supremacy."

## RELIGION: A Healthy Faith

### Churches March On

Religion, despite the claim of cynics, is not losing its appeal for present-day Americans. Judging by church membership, Americans today are more than twice as religious as 50 years ago.

A nationwide poll by *The Christian Herald* reports U.S. church membership at an alltime high in 1947—77,386,188, or 53 per cent of the population. That is 3,713,006 more than in 1946.

In 1890, the magazine says, only 22 per cent of the population were church members.

The poll covered Protestants, Catholics and Jews.

### A Steady Climb

Calling the general figures a "respectable advance" for religion in America, the magazine says "religious faith in our land is not hitched to a skyrocket, but neither is it on the toboggan. Instead, it's climbing gradually, steadily, surely."

Slightly more than 60 per cent (46,149,676) are listed as members of the nation's 223 Protestant denominations. More than 33 per cent (25,286,178) are Roman Catholics. Six per cent (4,641,000) are members of Jewish congregations. These groups represent 99 per cent of the country's church membership.

The poll shows Protestant denominations gained 2.6 per cent from 1946 to 1947, while the Roman Catholics gained 3.5 per cent.

"Just how religious we are in spirit and in practice may be open to argument—and usually is," the report says. "But . . . statistically speaking, religion in the United States is enjoying the most robust health it has ever known."

Thomas, Detroit News
THE YANKS ARE COMING

## Sidelights

● In Los Angeles, movie actress Barbara Lawrence, 18, got a divorce when she told the judge her husband, John Fontaine, 24, wouldn't work, insisted on going out nights when she came home tired, from the studio, complained that she did not give him enough spending money.

● Newark, New Jersey's biggest city, is mobilizing against atom bomb attack, with 3,500 auxiliary police, firemen and volunteers trained in first aid with emphasis on radioactivity.

● In Babylon, N. Y., James Rodgers and his wife won't get too friendly again with a talking crow. They saw the crow on a curb as they left a drug store. "Hello," said the crow. "Hello," answered Rodgers, then dangled his car keys in front of the bird to lure it closer. The crow took a key in its beak, flipped the chain and several other keys out of Rodgers' hand and flew away. The Rodgers had to walk home.

● Since New Jersey's three-cent tax and fair trade law went into effect, mail order houses have flooded residents with offers to sell cigarettes for as much as 41 cents under the legal price of $1.80 a carton. There's nothing the state can do about it—yet. Trenton is appealing for federal action.

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## Mainly Personal

Here is August—with dogdays . . . and it's the last month of the official slacks season . . . and bathing suits . . . and swimming at the Buckeye which has been a well managed and inviting place this summer . . . and end of the vacation season . . . we heard a locust the other day—hope that doesn't mean frost in six weeks—these cool nights are a reminder that when summer wanes can autumn's chill be far away . . . and Labor day four weeks from next Monday—and school opens the next day—and remodeling being rushed at the college for opening first week in September . . . which means that it's time to be getting some coal in the bin—they say it may be higher—and scarce . . . and cigarets up two cents a pack with most dealers gettnig 20 cents straight—and milk up one cent to 22 cents Monday—and hogs hanging up record marks—they say it's inflation but that's nothing new—old Adam Smith's book "Wealth of the Nations" written three hundred years ago told all about it and no one has added much to the subject since—it should be a best seller and we commend it for your summer reading . . . especially if you aspire to be a congressman and make laws for the rest of us . . . and with all these rising prices, better read the advertisements in this issue of the Bluffton News and shop Bluffton stores and Dollar day savings Friday and Saturday . . . if you're a good fisherman you won't have to worry about the price of meat—like Forrest "Frosty" Basinger who snagged a big pickerel at the Waterworks quarry the other day . . . measured nearly 22 inches long . . . and Charlie Day of Findlay, erstwhile Bluffton ite will have no immediate worries about his Bluffton News subscription expiring—he paid it ahead for 10 years the other day—which we'll say is wise and foresighted . . . no rain Monday—a rarity this summer and farmers taking advantage of the weather to hustle in belated oats and wheat crops—and that corn crop looking better and better than ever.

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Modern agriculture goes in for spraying in a big way—some of the boys over toward Pandora who grow tomatoes on a commercial scale had a helicopter dusting their fields last week—they say this method is superior to dusting from an airplane because the job is done more accurately . . . and Hiram Schutz's east of Pandora on Route 12 has a 30-acre potato field. A well has been drilled in the field to obtain water for the irrigation.

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Flying saucers—you know, some folks see 'em after dark—well, Bluffton councilmen thought they saw the real thing when one of the council members gazed out of the window during the meeting Monday night and saw an eerie moving light in the sky. Proceedings of Bluffton's legislative body stopped while members gathered about a window to witness the strange sight—which they later discovered was nothing more than an airplane on a routine night flight.

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And speaking of airplanes, there was the man who left Dallas, Texas., last Saturday morning at 5 o'clock and arrived in New York city at 3 in the afternoon to make a radio broadcast . . . and Harvey Beidler told us the other day that it took his grandfather, Abraham Ehst five months on foot and by river boat to go from eastern Pennsylvania to Kansas—that was one hundred years ago—in 1847.

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The M. M. Murrays married in 1889, who celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary last week are the oldest couple who were married in Bluffton. However the C. D. Amstutz's of South Jackson street will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary this fall—October 11. They were married in the Ebenezer church west of town in 1888.

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Bluffton's oldest resident, so far as we know is 90-year-old Chris Santschi of East Kibler street. Oldest Bluffton born residents are M. M. "Dode" and Med Murray, aged 80, two survivors of the Murray triplets. Their elder brother Lloyd Murray who died last fall held the distinction of being the oldest native born resident for a number of years.

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Here's a radio oddity—Fred Fritchie with a radio set of pre-

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12 lb. Aluminum Roasters—Was $7.50, Now ..... $4.95
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Pint Mason jars—Were 65c, now 45c doz.
Quart Mason jars—Were 75c, now 55c doz.
Copper Wash Boilers, Were $6.25, now $4.95
Reed Clothes Baskets, Were $2.65, now $1.98
Club Glass Sauce Pots—Were $2.20, Now ..... $1.65
Club Glass Double Boilers—Were $3.55, Now ..... $2.75
Club Glass Coffee Makers—Were $2.65, Now ..... $1.98
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## H. Allen Smith Visits the Village

H. Allen Smith, author of "Low Man on a Totem Pole," "Life in a Putty Knife Factory," and other humorous books, was in the village this week on his annual visit to his friend, James Street.

Commenting on the Carolina-L.S.U. football game which he saw Saturday, he said: "Your football field here is the only one in the country that is a playground for dogs as well as for the football teams. Coach Snavely, in diagramming his plays, must have to instruct his blockers on how to take out those stray animals."

Mr. Smith, who has been a friend of Mr. Street's since they were newspaper men in New York, devoted most of his time here to loafing. "Just got back from a 10,000-mile trip," he sighed, "and I'm tuckered out. My wife, Nelle, and I drove from New York out to the Dakotas, then through Wyoming, the Southwest, New Orleans and most of the South. I plan to write a book about our travels, a sort of 'Inside U.S.A.' 'Log of the Flying Saucer,' will be the title, the Flying Saucer being the name of our car." (It's a Cadillac.)

"Larks and the Popcorn" is the title of Mr. Smith's latest book, to be released November 18. "It's one of those back-to-nature things," he explained. "At about the time the Streets moved to Chapel Hill, we got a house in Westchester county, New York, near Mt. Kisco. The book tells how it feels to be neighbors to Henry Wallace, Tom Dewey, Billy Rose, Sing Sing prison, Tallulah Bankhead, the Reader's Digest, and the president of the American Tobacco Company. We live on a hill, overlooking all this. It's really peaceful in the country."—*Sam Summerlin.*

### Girl Scouts Go to Fair

The Girl Scouts of Chapel Hill troop 4 were escorted to the State Fair last Friday afternoon by Mrs. E. G. McGavran, Miss Sarah Umstead, troop leader; Miss Venitah Sanders, assistant leader, and Miss Gail Hancock, assistant leader of troop 5. Miss Daisy Smith, a blind student in the University, was the guest of the troop.

### "American Foreign Policy"

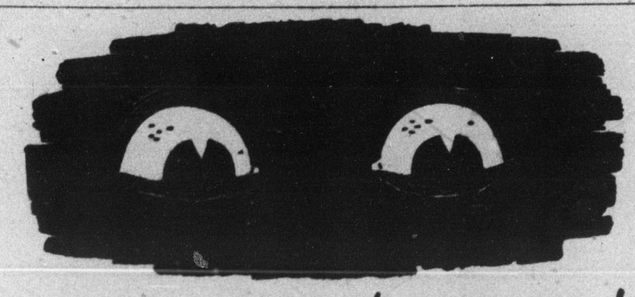
The International Relations department of the Chapel Hill Community club will meet at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the home of the chairman, Mrs. Guy B. Johnson, 18 Westwood drive. The topic of discussion will be, "American Foreign Policy."

## Health Department Faculty Travels

Members of the University school of public health have been traveling lately. Dr. Lucy S. Morgan attended an institute for the training of Negro tuberculosis workers held at the Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte and presented a paper on "Principles of Health Education" . . . . Dr. Edward G. McGavran went to Raleigh to present a paper at the annual meeting of the State Nutrition committee . . . . Dr. McGavran, Dr. William Richardson and Miss Ruth Hay recently went to Washington to confer with officials of the U. S. Public Health Service on the field training project which will be established here soon . . . . Miss Hay and Dr. Cecil Sheps were in Wilmington recently to attend the Nurses' Association convention. Dr. Sheps presented a paper on "Society and the Nursing Profession" and Miss Hay led a panel discussion on "The Nurse and Social Problems." . . . . Robert K. Horton, sanitary engineer, a former student in the school, was a guest here October 5 . . . . Miss Margaret Blee attended the North Carolina Public Health Association meeting in Durham and conducted a panel discussion on "Interpretation of Public Health Nursing."

### Food Packages for People Overseas

The American Women's Volunteer Services, of 1800 Connecticut avenue, Washington, D. C., is again sending Christmas food packages to people in war-ravaged countries. You can name the persons you want to send packages to, or recipients will be chosen from an accredited list kept by the AWVS. Every package goes direct to the recipient with the card of the sender enclosed. The price of a 10-pound package, $3.50, covers the cost of the food (carefully selected by the AWVS), and for packing, wrapping, and postage. Because of a reduction in postage on food shipments, 10 pounds can now be sent for the same price as the former 7-pound package. The reliability of the AWVS is vouched for by the editor of this newspaper. The organization has served many of the paper's readers as a medium for the dispatch of food to people overseas. Orders for Christmas packages should be sent in immediately.

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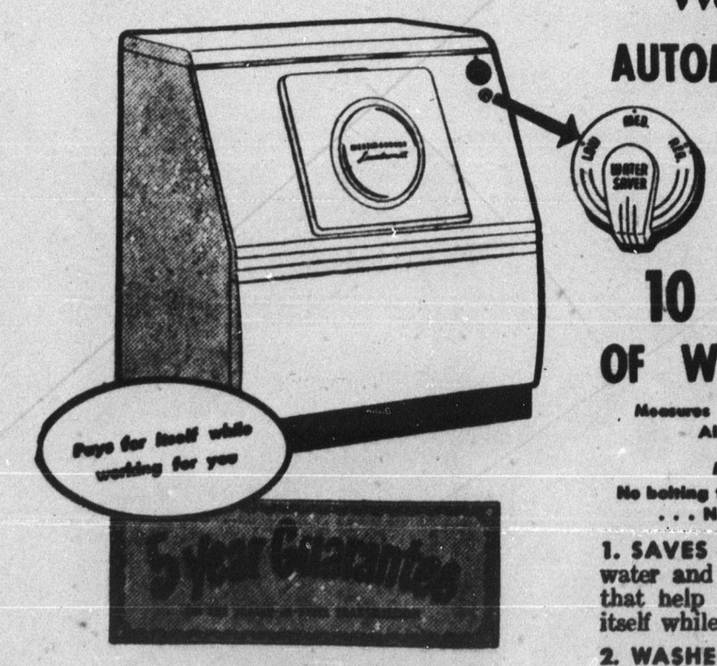


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ence Selah, of Atkinson; S. J. Peterson, 86, of Atkinson; Mrs. Emma Meyers. 76, of Chambers; Arthur Barnes, 55, of Portland, Ore., formerly of O'Neill and Emmet; Miss Lucria Shoemaker, 63, of Los Angeles, Calif., formerly of O'Neill; A. H. Bradley, 42, of O'Neill; John Paul Sullivan, 76, of O'Neill; Mrs. Emil O. Jindra, 62, of Emmet; Dougal H. Allen, 77, of Emmet.

### APRIL

The Holt county selective service office, which sent 1,510 men off to the global World War II, died a natural death at midnight on March 31. Next day there were plenty of ex-GIs to be found tearing up the little white pieces of paper they had been carrying for many months. . . Only 244 votes were cast in the city-school election. New councilmen are: R. E. Armubruster, Second ward; Hugh Ray First ward, and G. A. DeBacker, Third ward. There were no school board changes. . . H. J. Lohaus was elected president of the Chamber of Commerce, succeeding C. E. Lundgren. . . The walkout of 17 Northwestern Bell Telephone company employees, members of a union involved in a nationwide strike, did not curtail local service although long distance circuits were crippled. . . J. B. Ryan has donated to the American Legion two lots on Douglas street. The members of the Legion, who have been without a club "home" for years, in an all-out one-day building bee attempted to make hay towards establishing a home on the site Ryan donated. A great deal of preliminary work was accomplished on the quonset-type 40 x160-ft. structure. . . Atkinson grabbed 19 "superior" ratings, O'Neill high and St. Mary's academy 15 each, in the annual Third district music contest held here. . . Deaths: Prince T. Stevens, 90, of Page; Charles C. Carroll, 57, of Arlington, Va., formerly of Lynch; Charles Bowman, 60, of Atkinson; Mrs. Zachary T. Long, 86, of Lynch; Edward C. ("Cotton-Top") Albert, 69, of O'Neill; John Frederick Borg, 77, of O'Neill.

### MAY

Jacob Motz, of the state tax commissioner's office, helped Holt county get underway with its part in Nebraska's new experimental assessing procedure. . . A district court jury found for the son in a father - son court squabble here. The son, Walter H. Schwager, of Orchard, alleged conversion of personal property in a suit against his father, August Schwager, of Ewing. . . Mr. and Mrs. Fred Vitt, immigrants from Bohemia, observed their golden wedding anniversary. . . Miss Betty Gallagher was May queen at St. Mary's academy. . . W. A. Doering, of Albion, and Ruth Case, of Tripp, S. D., purchased the Apparel shop from Mrs. Helen Simar. . . The American Legion brought gal grapplers to town for the first time to entertain wrestling fans. . . Kathleen Flood, of St. Mary's academy, was judged "highly superior" in the midwest division of the national high school music contest at St. Joseph, Mo. Twenty-three O'Neill music pupils participated. . . St. Mary's and O'Neill high together graduated 80 seniors. . . Mrs. Henry Benze, Emmet correspondent, wrote the editor: "There will be no Emmet news this week. On Monday the stork left us a boy, Patrick Henry. I'll try to get the news in next week." . . A Holt - Boyd county baseball league was organized. Entries: Butte, Bristow, Lynch, Stuart, Atkinson, Chambers, West O'Neill and O'Neill. . . Mr. and Mrs. Paul Seger, of Atkinson, marked their golden wedding day. . . At least one Holt county Gold Star mother knew her son's overseas grave was being decorated on Memorial day. She is Mrs. Bessie Burge, of Emmet. The Willy Holterbosch family, of Waubach, Limburg, Holland, adopted the grave of the late S-Sgt. Floyd E. Burge, who was killed in Germany during World War II . . . An unprecedented cold wave, accompanied by snow, dealt a blow to farmers and gardeners on May 28. . . Deaths: William B. Stanton, 66, of Ewing; James Bailey, 79, of Dutch Mills, Ark., formerly of Emmet; William G. Beha, 80, of O'Neill; James J. Porter, 71, of Chambers; Morrison, 70, of O'Neill; John Garrett H. ("Garry") Benson, 61, of Oakland, Calif., formerly of Ewing and O'Neill.

### JUNE

H. W. ("Pete") Heriford, baker, waited 28 years to bake a wedding cake for one of his own. Son Bennett got married. . . Gillespie's home appliance store reopened in a new location on South Fourth street. . . Harrison and Julius Belew, brothers, reunited at Chambers after 30 years apart . . . An east-west belt, approximately 10 miles wide and extending east from O'Neill for 25 miles, bore the brunt of a hail-wind storm. . . M. J. ("Max") Golden won the invitational Country club golf tourney. . . The Methodists made two pastoral changes in the county: Rev. Edgar T. Baldwin, of Julian, to Inman; Rev. E. J. Jorgensen, to Chambers. . . A bickering over school land values, that was to be carried on throughout the remainder of the year, began in June when 400 persons protested what was described as sharp valuation increases. The lessees pay rentals on a valuation basis. . . Mr. and Mrs. Merton H. Dierks, of Ewing, have been married 50 years. . . Rev. Eugene F. Gallagher, son of Mrs. Robert E. Gallagher and the late Robert E. Gallagher, was heard in his first mass at St. Patrick's Catholic church June 22. He was recently-ordained a Jesuit priest . . . Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Heriford and Mr. and Mrs. Bennet Heriford are new owners of the M & M cafe. The retiring owners are Mrs. Frank D. McMillan and Miss Mary Markey. . . Ralph Gray's automobile was lifted off the highway and deposited gently 25 yards away by a freakish twister. There were four other occupants. None was injured. . . Deaths: Charles Fleek, 80, of Tacoma, Wash. formerly of Chambers; E. A. Edmonston, 71, of Page; Miss Una Borden, 47, of Page; Jesse L. Scofield, 63, Joseph A. Weibel, 81, of Deloit; Joseph Muret, 65, of Brunswick, formerly of O'Neill; Elizabeth Keys, 76, of O'Neill; Fred Eppenbach, 69, of O'Neill; Mrs. C. J. Coffey, of Wichita Falls, Tex.

### JULY

"Fieldborn Fritz," a one-year-old male German pointer pooch, arrived in O'Neill a la express bedecked with ribbons. His new owner, F. J. ("Frizt") Bazelman, said the dog copped honors at the London, Ontario, Canada, dog show. . . The William Krotter company has begun building in West O'Neill. . . Rev. Kenneth J. Scott, Presbyterian pastor, has accepted a call from Cambria, Calif. . . Holt tax valuations for 1947 are up almost two million dollars. . . The lack of flying saucer sightings made news here. Elsewhere, the country was agog with rumors. . . Mervyn ("Mac") Asher, 15, wants to swim in peace. Twice he has visited the Elkhorn river recently and been obliged to haul out splashers that were in trouble. . . Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith and son, John, of London, England, immigrated in 1947 style, make the journey in 2½ days. They traveled by air to New York; rail to Omaha; auto to O'Neill. . . Some farmers suffered hail loss for the third time this season when a storm struck July 19. Hardest hit was an area north of O'Neill. . . The O'Neill bus terminal and cafe was looted of $119. . . Gambles opened a new 3½-floor department store, one of the largest stores of its type outside the metropolitan centers. Eugene R. Cantlon is the manager. . . Deaths:: Mrs. Lena Heiser, 79, of Atkinson; John Winchell, of Seattle, Wash., formerly of Chambers; George Coventry, 76, of Inman; Mrs. George Sobotka, 37, of Inman; James Boler, 65, of Omaha, formerly of O'Neill; Mrs. Harvey R. Allen, 63, of Page; Mrs. Jeanne C. Scott, 72, of Omaha, formerly of O'Neill.

### AUGUST

Rev. Clyde O. Press is the new pastor at Christ Lutheran church, and Rev. J. W. Clapper is the new pastor at the Assembly of God. . . Miss Hay Days queen at Atkinson Lilah Smith was crowned 1947 . . . Holt's corn crop needs rain. . . Fred Vitt, 75, submitted to a leg amputation. . . Otto Reising, using "Paul Strahl" as a pen name, has written "The Quarrel," a novel. He is the husband of the former Mary Phalin, of O'Neill, and is known here. . . A municipal water crisis resulted from the extreme heat and inadequate pumping facilities. Conservation warnings were issued. . . Over 3,500 attended the O'Neill day festivities August 19. . . Gerald D. Hansen, pitcher for the Midway baseball team, uncorked a fast one that also broke his wrist. . . Rev. John J. O'Brien, Church of Epiphany pastor at Emmet, was transferred to Platte Center. His successor: Rev. Joseph Lane. . . Sunday-school picnickers at Middlebranch ran across a dead deer . . . Five brothers and three sisters, members of the pioneering family of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Donohoe, held a reunion here. . .Deaths: Mrs. Evelyn Arbuthnot, 69, of O'Neill; Mrs. Louise Peterson, 51, of O'Neill; Mrs. Edna L. Selden, 54, of Valentine, wihle visiting here; George E. Ernest, 85, of O'Neill; Thomas A. Castle, 79, of Fremont, formerly of Page; Mrs. Herman Eisert, 59, of Middlebranch; Mrs. Ruth McCaffrey, 55, of Topeka, Kans., formerly of O'Neill; Mrs. Maggie Smith, 87, of Chambers; Herbert J. Worth, 84, of Pelasant Valley.

### SEPTEMBER

O'Neill's two school systems —public and St. Mary's academy—counted a total of 872 pupils on opening day. . . Cashing of veterans' terminal leave bonds dropped-off sharply after an opening rush. . . Though unfinished, the new Legion club has been informally opened. The club is one of the finest in the state, cost $25,000. . . One hundred and eighteen descendants helped Mrs. Sarah E. Hull celebrate her 92nd birthday anniversary. . . O'Neill's lone colored man, William Barnett, 53, a Negro, lost two children in a week. A daughter, 7, died from infantile paralysis; a son, Douglas, 12, was fatally isjured in sandlot football. Barnett has been on a construction crew here several months; his family lives in Omaha. . . The Chambers Methodist church passed its 50th milestone. . . The city planning board has recommended a zoning ordinance to the city council. The proposal defines business, residential and industrial districts. . . Michael ("Mike") O'Sullivan, 60, native O'Neillite, now a Phoenix, Ariz., insurance executive, was "snubbed" in a Boston, Mass., hotel by being refused service in a dining room without his coat on. O'Sullivan exploded in a letter to a Boston newspaper and a literary bombast resulted. . . Deaths. Delbert Sholes, 54, of Inman; Mrs. Alta Wagers, 77, of Lodi, Calif., formerly of Page; Mrs. Charles V. Cole, 42, of Star; Mrs. William T. Spelts, 45, of Grand Island, formerly of O'Neill; George A. French, 80, of Page; Mrs. Julia E. Parker, 91, of O'Neill Casper P. Uhl, 69, of O'Neill; Michael Minton, 55, of Albuquerque, N. M., formerly of O'Neill; Mrs. Mary A. Knapp, 85, of Norfolk, formerly of Inman; Harry Campbell, 59, of Los Angeles, Calif., formerly of O'Neill.

### OCTOBER

Mrs. M. P. Onderdonk, nee Evelyn Howe, of Los Angeles, Calif., returned to the scenes of her childhood for a short visit. She has won distinction as a portrait painter. . . Ivan Pruss nearly lost a hand in a buzz saw accident. . . Lynch won the long, drawn-out title for the Holt-Boyd baseball league championship, defeating Chambers in the playoff . . . Mr. and Mrs. Dan J. Cronin, have moved to Omaha to reside with a daughter. Their family and O'Neill grew up together. . . The top price paid for 4-H club calves at the annual 4-H show and sale here was 42 cents per pound. . . Pickin's were slim in the 10-day pheasant hunt. So was the bag limit. two male birds. . . Over 500 delegates attended the eight-county district 2 American Legion and auxiliary convention here . . . Huge flocks of crows and dozens of snakes have been heckling Celia residents. . . Francis Kelly was burned in the face and on the chest as a spectator at an automobile fire. . . Bud Smith, of Panama, Canal Zone, was an Inman visitor. He is a deep-sea diver. . . Frank Nelson, of O'Neill, filed for the 28th legislative district state senate nomination. . . Roses bloomed in the mild October . . . The body of T-Sgt. Laddie Cary, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Cary, of Inman, was among 43 Nebraska World War II dead reaching this country. Sgt. Cary was killed in Germany on March 15, 1945, shortly after his unit crossed the Remagen bridge. Burial was near Malvern, Ia. . . . Deaths: Mrs. James Boyle, 72, of Neligh; Edward John Eby, 69, of Ewing; Mrs. P. V. Hickey, 52, of O'Neill; Percy A. Grass, 66, of Ewing; Mrs. Clyde Hull, 69, of Atkinson; Mrs. Elwood E. Wallen, 64, of O'Neill; William Bredehoeft, 67, of O'Neill; Vernon Craig, 33, of Kearney, formerly of Page; L. L. Cosner, 84, of Stuart; Josephus Harrison, 75, of O'Neill; Mrs. Nancy Elizabeth Harrison Richards, 80, of Long Beach, Calif., formerly of Emporia and Page; Mrs. Dora Backhaus, 85, of Chambers.

### NOVEMBER

A 13-county pasture-forage-livestock meeting was attended by 250 at Stuart. Twenty-five rural Holt women were honored. . . The state department of health's mobile X-ray unit is touring the county making free photographs of chests. . . Mrs. Clay Johnson sr., of O'Neill, was elected vice-president of the state WCTU convention in session at Hastings. . . The Methodist church celebrated the 65th anniversary of its founding on November 23 with an all-day affair. . . Harry Keeler, 63, of Ewing, went without food for 124 hours while lost in a Canadian woods. On a hunting trip he became separated from guides and companions. . . Deer and coyotes are adopting bold tactics in these parts. . . A state safety patrol substation was reactivated here. Patrolman Fay Robeson is in charge. . . The Frontier shifted its press date from Thursday to Wednesday, enabling its subscribers to have the news hours ahead of most other papers in Holt and adjoining counties. . . The school land values were increased 70 percent as the controversy ended in a final hearing held by the state board of educational lands and funds. . . A power conservation plea was sounded by Consumers Public Power District officials. Unprecedented power loads have taxed facilities to the utmost. . . Deaths:: Mrs. Mary Elizabeth West, 82, of Page; Peter Mulhair, of Lynch; M. F. Kirwan, 77, of O'Neill; Irwin Simonson, 63, of O'Neill; Charles Graham, 99, of Clearwater; Max J. Seger, 74, of Stuart; Mrs. Frank Fallon, 53, of O'Neill; Edward Francis Carney, 62, of Emmet; Mrs. Elizabeth Richards, of Beatrice, formerly of Inman; Mrs. Cora A. Winchell, 75, of O'Neill; Gilbert R. Davis, 76, of Atkinson; Mrs. Philip Robertson, 82, of Chambers. . . Bethany Presbyterian church, near Chambers, became 60-years-old.

### DECEMBER

The county treasurer's office was flooded with taxpayers during November. Business was so brisk the office staff was frequently several days behind schedule. . . William D. Dallman, of Greenwood, Wis., was hired as coordinator for the new Niobrara Valley Electric Membership corporation — a rural electrification unit. . . The American Legion suffered a loss estimated at $2,000 when thugs gained entrance into the newly-opened club and made away with the cash register, several game machines and some cash. . . In a story especially prepared for The Frontier, County Agent Dawes peeked into 1948 with prediction that: high prices would continue, the farm labor situation would stay in balance, the housewife would have to practice every kind of economy in the face of the rising cost of living. . . Danny Saunto, 27-days-old, became The Frontier's youngest subscriber. . . Frank Leahy, Notre Dame grid coach and native O'Neillite, saw his Fightin' Irish rip Southern California, 28-7, and complete a perfect football season — the first for ND since Knute Rockne's famous team of 1930 . . . The Frontier announced its first-annual all-Holt grid team. O'Neill high dominated the mythical team with four berths; Atkinson and Ewing placed two each; St. Mary's academy, Chambers and Stuart, one each. . . Two changes were made on the zoning proposal. . . Santa used a supersonic jet Blitzen plane to keep his pre-Christmas date here with the kiddies. . . Mr. and Mrs. Ed. F. Porter, of Chambers, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Christmas day, and Mr. and Mrs. Clinton A. Townsend observed their golden anniversary the same day, with an open-house on December 28 . . . Deaths: Clyde Murnan, 59, of Scottville; Mrs. J. Ralph Young, 53, of Paddock; Earl P. Closson, 50, of O'Neill; A. C. Anderson, 77, of O'Neill; Mrs. Dorsey S. Conrad, 72, of Atkinson; Mrs. Fredrick Wefso, 77, of Stuart; Mrs. Cora Belle Johnson, 69, of O'Neill; Mrs. Casper Pribil, 60, of O'Neill; Mrs. John S. Martfeld, 61, of Longmont, Colo., formerly of O'Neill; Daniel J. Cronin, 86, of Omaha, formerly of O'Neill; August J. Storjohann, 60, of Spencer; Sister Alexia McGovern, 78, of Eggertsville, N. Y., formerly of O'Neill; Mrs. Sarah Jane Robinson, 93, of Inman.

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## Harty Goes to Merchandise Show in Minneapolis

James ("Jim") Harty, manager of the soft line floor of Gambles' store here, will leave this weekend to attend a merchandise show at Minneapolis, Minn. The show is sponsored by Gamble-Skogmo, Inc., and will be attended by more than 200 retail representatives from this section of the country, in addition to executives from several manufacturing companies.

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## Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cantlon and daughter spent Christmas in Armstrong, Ia., at the home of Mrs. Cantlon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Kennedy. Mrs. Kennedy returned with them for a visit in the Cantlon home.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer E. Asher and family spent Christmas in Valentine at the home of their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Don Asher, and spent the weekend in Livermore, Ia., at the home of Mrs. Asher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Chambers.

Guests in the Bartley Brennan home for Christmas were Mr. Brennan's mother, Mrs. Nellie Brennan, of Los Angeles, Calif., and Mrs. Brennan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Porterfield, of Wayne. Mrs. Brennan will remain for an indefinite visit in the home of her son.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hammond and son, Michael, arrived Friday from Omaha.

Mrs. Marjorie Bightol and son, Carter, and daughter, Barbara, of Kearney, spent Sunday and Monday visiting Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Carter.

Christmas day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Long were Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Collins and family, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Pinkerman and family and Mrs. Eliza Cooper.

Guests for dinner on Sunday evening at the J. C. Bazelman home were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clements and children, Donna Rae and Bobby.

Christmas guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald McKamy were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Frank of Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Berg, of Rapid City, S. D., left Monday for Sioux Falls, S. D., after a visit in the W. J. Biglin home.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Crabb had as their guests on Christmas their sons, Verle, of Wagner, S. D., and Mr. and Mrs. Dorrance Crabb and family.

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Howard Jeffrey

— At Howard's Cafe —

# The Frontier Woman

By BLANCHE SPANN PEASE

Hi there, all you nice people! Here it is the third week in June and the work is piling up on us like everything, isn't it? Strawberries, peas and cherries to take care of. Ah me, tis a hard working world, or at least, yours and mine is, huh?

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Don't get so busy though that you can't take time to whisk out for a picnic supper with the family, a few minutes to peep at the gladiolas to see how they're coming and to peek at the roses on that bush that you have taken care of the way you would a baby!

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Remember, too, that there are often many containers right in your own home that can be used for flowers and you may not need to buy expensive flower vases.

For instance: I'm partial to a yellow fiesta ware pitcher that tips. It's intended for tomato juice but I use it just as often for flowers. Iris looked grand in it and so do gladiola. Then I sometimes use a pottery teapot for flowers and I use a brown pottery bean pot for zinnias or marigolds. I broke the pitcher I used to use for glads just a few weeks ago. It had a cream colored background that worked so well.

I have a small glass bowl, or more like a fish bowl or globe that used to be the bottom of an ash tray. It's just the thing for pansies, long stemmed violets, nasturtiums, or short stemmed roses, particularly buds. I like to use glass ware for flowers too. All of my top of the stove glass cooking utensils are simply grand for flowers, I use flower holders of course with them. Then there are 2 flat pyrex baking bishes that are just the thing for flowers when used with flower holders, not to mention refrigerator dishes of glass.

Don't over look these and other possibilities for your flowers and enjoy making the flower arrangements. One of the high points of my day is arranging the flowers every morning.

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**Subscription Winner Is "Atkinson Reader"—**

Dear Frontier Woman:

Sunday afternoons we usually spend with my folks in O'Neill and the first thing I always do is to grab The Frontier and catch up on the home-town news and your interesting part of the paper.

**I have used many of your ideas from both The Frontier and Graphic columns. I had been looking everywhere for a really good oatmeal cookie recipe, so you can imagine how pleased I was to find not one, but two such recipes, in The Frontier column several weeks ago. I've tried them both and my husband says they both are so good he can't decide which is really best.**

I guess most of us cook to please our husbands, at least I know I do. I want to pass along some of the favorite cookies here at our house. Hope lots of people try 'em and like 'em as well as we do.

GUMDROP COOKIES

One cup brown sugar, 1 cup white sugar, 1 cup shortening, 2eggs, 2 cups oatmeal-toasted, 1 cup chopped up gumdrops, 2½ cups flour, ½ teaspon salt, 1 teaspoon soda, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 1 cup cocoanut. Mix all dry ingredients together and add to the creamed mixture consisting of the sugar, shortening, eggs and gumdrops. Mix well and drop on baking sheet and bake in moderate oven. (I find that I need some milk or cream to help mix better.)

MOLASSES CRINKLES

Three-fourths cup shortening, 1 cup brown sugar, ¼ cup molasses, 2¼ cups flour, ¼ teaspoon salt, 2 teaspoons soda, ½ teaspoon cloves, 1 teaspoon each of cinnamon and ginger.

Cream shortening and sugar thoroughly. Beat in egg and molasses. Sift flour, measure, and sift with salt, soda and spices. Add to creamed mixture; mix well. Cover; chill one hour. Shape into balls and flatten a little. Place on cookie sheet and brush tops of cookies lightly with water and sprinkle with sugar. Bake in moderate oven.

THREE-IN-ONE COOKIES

Three-fourths cup shortening, 2 cups brown sugar, 3 eggs, 3½ cups flour, 3 teaspoons double acting or 4½ teaspoons single acting baking powder, ½ teaspoon salt, ¾ cup milk, 2 teaspoons vanilla. Cream shortening, add sugar, and cream thoroughly. Add eggs, beat well. Sift flour, baking powder and salt together. Add alternately with milk. Add vanilla. Mix to a smooth, stiff batter and divide into thirds. Add 1 teaspoon mixed spice and ½ cup raisins to one bowl of batter and blend well. Drop from spoon onto greased cookie sheet. Bake 12 to 15 minutes in 400 degree oven. Add 2 ounces of melted unsweetened chocolate to second bowl. Mix well and drop from spoon on greased cookie sheet. Bake 12 to 15 minutes in a 400 degree oven. Add ½ cup grated cocoanut to third bowl. Mix well, drop on cookie shee Bake in 400 degree oven. Just use your own imagination to vary this recipe. I sometimes use nuts in one batch, or whatever I happen to think sounds good.

**I didn't notice that I was so near to the end of the page, so guess that's a signal to stop for now. Please do excuse my typing errors. One has to practice more than I do to be really efficient.**

Yours truly,
Atkinson Reader.

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**Angela Soukup Wins 3 Months' Subscription —**

Dear Mrs. Pease:

I always enjoy The Frontier Woman. That is the first thing I look at and always try the recipes. Sure have had wonderful luck with them.

Quite a while ago I read some soap recipes in The Frontier Woman and you asked for a recipe that doesn't have to be boiled. This Spring I made several batches of this recipe I am sending.

**I make my soap outside in the shade of a tree to get away from all old grease and lye smell in the house. Also use an iron or enamelware kettle. I use an old iron reservoir from our old stove in the wash house.**

NON-BOIL SOAP

Nine pounds tallow, grease or cracklings, 2 gallons hot water. Put all in pan and stir till it begins to thicken a little. Strain through old colander or screen. Pour back in pan. You are ready to go do your other work, as you go by stop and sir off and on, till it is thick. Let set till thick enough to cut in bars. I find I get best results by letting set overnight.

Here's wishing the women who use this recipe all good luck, and as much enjoyment from making soap as I've had.

ANGELA SOUKUP,
O'Neill, Nebr.

I'm so glad "Atkinson Reader' and Angela Soukup took the time to write to us. I know our readers must have enjoyed both letters. Those recipes of Mrs. "Atkinson Reader's" surely sounded mighty good I thought, and most women who make their own soap are always glad to get another recipe, I feel.

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**Slick Tricks —**

Chilled tomato juice is so good this time of year. Add a dash of worcestershire sauce to a tall glass, or a dash of celery salt for a new taste thrill that you'll want to repeat.

**If you haven't an orange or lemon juicer you'll find that your potato ricer will double admirably for the task.**

You can use that potato ricer to rice boiled egg yolks too and use them as a garnish for casserole dishes or salads.

You needn't think that is the only thing a potato ricer is good for. It will do fine to use for small potatoes cooked in the jackets. Don't try to rice too many at once. The jackets stay in the ricer, potato pulp goes through and serves well.

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**Send Us a Letter —**

We do need your letters in The Frontier Woman department so much. We are barely able to keep ahead of our deadline with letters. We give a 3 months' subscription to The Frontier for every letter we use. Write about anything you like.

Send your letter to Mrs. Blanche Pease, The Frontier Woman, Atkinson, Nebraska.

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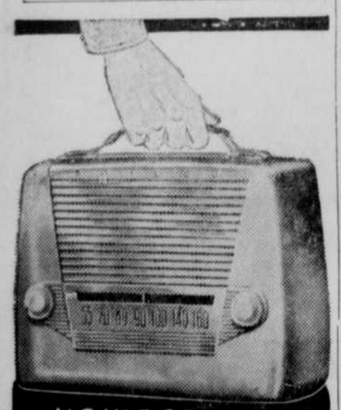
Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Chambers, Jr., and family, of Livermore, Ia., spent Thursday, June 10, in O'Neill at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Chambers, sr.



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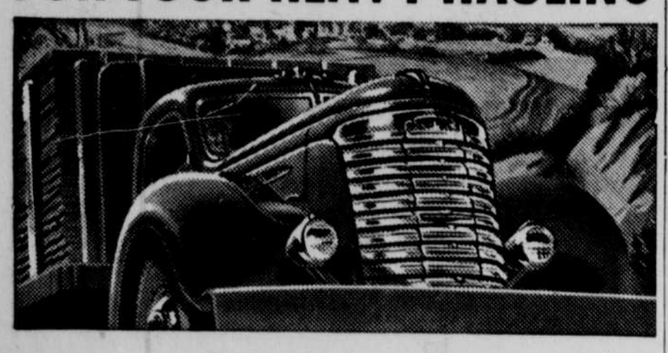

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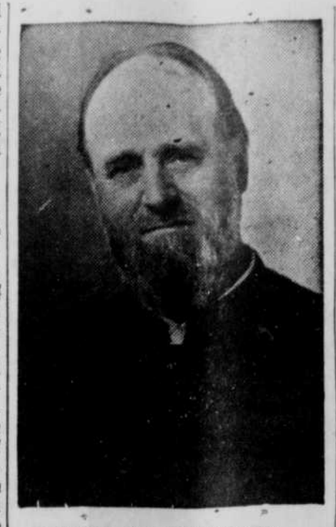

**ASSISTS IN MEETINGS . .** Rev. H. W. Landis, of Des Moines, Ia., (above) is teamed with Rev. D. A. Manker, of Cadillac, Mich., in conducting a camp meeting for the Elkhorn Valley Holiness association. (See Holiness church notes below.)

## Church Notes

**HOLINESS (O'Neill)**

Rev. M. H. Grosenbach, pastor

The Elkhorn Valley Holiness association announces its annual camp meeting to begin in our church Thursday, June 17, at 7:45 p. m. The dates are June 17-27.

Two evangelists are to be with us to alternate in the preaching: Rev. H. W. Landis, of Des Moines, Ia., and Rev. D. A. Manker, of Cadillac, Mich.

They both have years of experience and come to us with good recommendations. You will enjoy hearing them.

Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Kubitz, of Lincoln, will have charge of the music.

The schedule of the services will be as follows: Morning prayer meeting, 6:30 a. m.; Bible teaching, 10:30 a. m.; children's meetings, 1:30 p. m.; fellowship and preaching, 2:30 p. m.; evening evangelistic service, 7:45.

Meals will be served on the free will offering plan: Breakfast, 6:30; dinner 12:00; supper, 5:30.

We will be glad to have you come and enjoy the camp with us.

"Jesus is still able to save to the uttermost."

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN (O'Neill)**

Sunday - school, 10 a. m., John Harbottle, superintendent.

Rev. Gurber, a new minister, will deliver the sermon Sunday, June 20.

On Thursday, June 17, at 6:45 p. m., there will be a potluck dinner in the church basement. Everyone is welcome.

The Mariner's club will meet on Monday evening at 8 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Glen Burge.

Circle I will meet Thursday, June 24, at the home of Mrs. L. B. Price, at 2:30 p. m.; Circle III will meet at the same time in the church basement. Assisting hostesses will be Mrs. Harry Petersen and Mrs. Sam Robertson.

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD (O'Neill)**

Rev. J. G. Hamburger, pastor

Prayer meeting, Thursday, 8 p.m.

Sunday school, 10 a.m., lesson text: "The Truth Triumphs at Ephesus," Acts 19:1 to 20:38.

Worship, 11 a. m.

Evening evangelistic service, 8. Special music and songs.

We invite you to attend. Fathers, be examples to your children and bring them to church. Everyone welcome.

**ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL (Neligh)**

B. H. Cowger, Lay Assistant to Rev. E. J. Secker, Norfolk

Prayer, 8:30 a. m. during the month of June.

Choir practice every Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.

Mr. Cowger will be at Doane college, Crete, through June 19 attending the Episcopal youth conference.

**METHODIST (O'Neill)**

Rev. V. R. Bell, pastor

Church school, 9:55 a. m. Lorenz Bredemeier, general superintendent.

Services Sunday at the usual hour.

You are cordially invited to worship with us.

Circle II meets Friday, June 8, 2 p. m. with Mrs. Ray Eby.

**CHRIST LUTHERAN Missouri Synod**

Sunday, June 6:

Sunday school at 10 a. m.

Bible study and worship, 11 a. m.

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**METHODIST (Inman)**

Church school, 10 a.m., Harvey Tompkins, superintendent.

Worship, 11 a.m.

MYF, 7 p.m.

## New Poles Going Up on Celia Line

CELIA—New poles are going up on the first 12 miles f the Celia telephone line out of Atkinson.

It is an independent line owned by the farmer-rancher patrons themselves, and the owners are doing their own work.

When work is completed, there will be around 30 miles of line.

**Other Celia News**

Rev. and Mrs. Asa Wood, of Celia, Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hendricks and family returned from their trip to Yellowstone park and Black Hills Saturday, June 12. They traveled 1,800 miles in 6 days and Mrs. Hendricks said they "especially enjoyed Yellowstone park." She said that while the scenery in the Black Hills was beautiful she enjoyed travel in more level country, especially during rainstorms.

Kelly Well Co. of O'Neill put down a well in a pasture for Mark Hendricks last week.

Bob Pease helped Alvin Heiser last week.

Celia received a much needed rain Friday night.

Lex Forsythe was a Stuart visitor Thursday, June 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray M. Pease were Sunday guests of their son, Ray, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pease visited the D. F. Scott family on

The Hammerbergs enjoyed a Sunday evening.

visit Sunday, by telephone, with their daughter, Mrs. Leo Milner, of Chester, Penn.

Mark Hendricks and son, Robert, were in O'Neill Tuesday, June 8, on business.

On Tuesday evening, June 8, L. E. Chaffin and family were supper guests of Mark Hendricks and family.

Rudolph and Thilo Poessnecker called on Algot Hammerberg Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Baumeister and son, Clayton, and Dwayne Greenwood, who was visiting Clayton were Sunday guests of Lex and Paul Forsythe. After dinner the boys called on Dwayne's uncle, Algot Hammerberg, and family and went fishing.

F. O. Hammerberg drove his model T Ford out to visit his son, Albot, and family Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Sanford and children of Greenfield, Mo., arrived Thursday, June 10, at the D. F. Scott home to visit her parents, and other relatives.

Mrs. E. W. Samms and Diane, Mrs. D. F. Scott and Mrs. O. A. Hammerberg attended the Atkinson Country Woman's club picnic which was held Thursday, June 10, at the home of Mrs. Fred Zink in Stuart. rMs. Herman Dermmer of Idaho, and Mrs. Carlisle of Stuart, were guests.

Albert Johnson and son, John, and a friend, Thomas Swanson, of Oakland, arrived on Tuesday, June 8, to visit Albert's brother, Stanley, and wife; also his father, J. V. Johnson. Albert went back to Oakland Wednesday and the boys are staying at Stanley's for 2 weeks.

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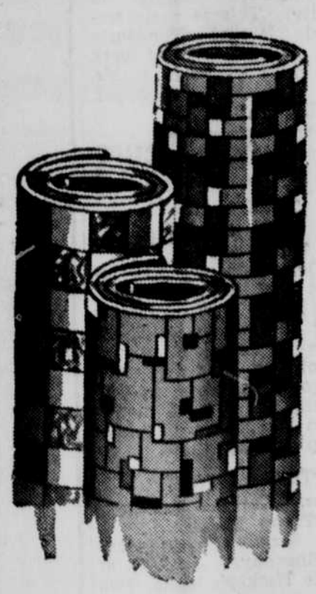

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## AS Tempus Fugits
By Hal Clark

I have an unusual experience ahead of me.
* * * * *
I'm going to sit up with a friend, who has only a few hours more to live.
* * * * *
He has a number instead of a name, and in past months I've come to know him very well as Mr. 1 9 Fortystven
* * * * *
He joined the community quite suddenly, I recall, just about a year ago.
* * * * *
Right away he started making the acquaintance of a lot of new Congressmen. Most of whom had a marked preference for elephants. To give him his due, as the year wore on, Mr. Fortyseven kept the public favor quite as well as some of his new acquaintances, although his term runs to an end before theirs do.
* * * * *
His brief lifetime has witnessed several major style trends. Olive Drab and Navy Blue have been repidly discarded in favor of more colorful tweeds and stripes, and lady's hem lines, reversing price lines, have drooped downward.

He has watched the puzzled people — admittingly unable to reckon the price of defeat — attempting to estimate the cost of victory. He noted how they have stopped hating, and started feeding and clothing, their recent enemies.
* * * * *
Although he knows he won't be with us much longer, I sense that Mr. Fortyseven has a very alert interest in what these human critters are going to do with their latest toy. The lines of puzzlement in his brow are undoubtedly caused by his effort to understand why a great new source of energy should be generally accepted as disintegrative instead of creative.
* * * * *
In his way, Mr. Fortyseven has been a scamp of a Charlatan. The tenure of his office has seen the American people enjoying the crackle and jingle of foldin' and clinkin' money, and the sound has been so mellifluous that most of them have deluded themselves into a belief in their own prosperity.
* * * * *
If we could get the aging Fortyseven to be honest with us, I'm sure he would admit that some of his forefathers brought us a less spectacular, but far more rewarding, financial well-being.
* * * * *
One of the Thirty branch of the family — say one of the later ones — could give Mr. Fortyseven some lessons in prosperity. Pockets were lighter then, but the store on hand of spending stuff could be readily traded for something that would ease or brighten the family life.
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Despite the monetary sound effects that Mr. Fortyseven has so delightfully supplied, purchasing has had a poverty aspect. Remember trying to exchange some of the medium for a new car . . . a new kitchen range . . . a new refrigerator?
* * * * *
Even Mr. Fortyseven himself, I think, would admit that it's the "get-ability" of these items of real wealth that determines our poverty or richness.

Nearing the end of his life span tho he is, Mr. Fortyseven is confidently expecting an heir.
* * * * *
He's going to call him 1 9 Fortyeight.
* * * * *
Poor little Fortyeight! It's a muddled world he's coming into. One in which worldings, with the fatalism of a moth near the flame, hope for peace and fear the advent of war.
* * * * *
How frantically and cynically they will continue the search for the peace formula! and with what automatism they will grope for and hope for prosperity!
* * * * *
Yes, little Fortyeight, you'll see our striving for peace and plenty — our baneful foreboding of war and destitution.
* * * * *
You'll almost come to believe in the sincerity of these global creatures, as they self-righteously seek the peace formula . . . . You'll almost come to believe that the great solution lies ahead in uncharted future . . . . That it has never been found.
* * * * *
You'll be young, son. So let me give you a tip.
* * * * *
The answer came to the world many years ago. At the very time, by the way, when the most ancient of your present family of ancestors was holding sway . . . Men call him Mr. One.
* * * * *
He and the others of your family -- who came immediately afterward--watched the birth of the solution in the humble home of a carpenter near the sea of Galilee.
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You'd better hope, Mr. Fortyeight, that men find it again before it is too late.

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## From The Past

**TEN YEARS AGO**

The Kennewick Chamber of Commerce endorsed a resolution asking that the state take action against the interference of transportation on the highways, particularly as applied to farm produce.

Christmas business, as measured by local postal receipts, was the best of any in the history of the community in 1937 according to a report given out by Postmaster F. H. Lincoln.

Mrs. Wallace Preston entertained the Finley pinochle club at her home honoring Mrs. Elizabeth Martin.

Mischa Auer and Bert Lahr starred in "Merry-Go Round of 1938" at the Christmas day program at the Liberty Theatre.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Records left for Freewater and Pendelton where they spent Christmas week-end with relatives.

Mrs. E. A. Rogers, Helen, Harold and Victor Rogers left for Pullman where they spent the remainder of the holiday vacation.

**TWENTY YEARS ABO**

Pola Negri with Clive Brook, and Einar Hanson starred in "Barbed Wire" at the Liberty Theatre.

K. C. Gifford and family spent the week end with the A. R. Gardners in Olympia.

Bert Plowman treated the Commercial club members to a chicken dinner, topped with Christmas cigars.

Three to four hundred kids were present to hear the Christmas program in front of the big community Christmas tree.

The members of the Royal Neighbors gave a party in honor of Mrs. A. L. Williams who had been the ranking officer for three years.

The Three Rivers Growers handled their own storage, pre-cooling and loading work, instead of having their work done by contract as before.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kincaid spent Christmas with his parents in Pomeroy.

**THIRTY YEARS AGO**

Saluskin, an aged tribal leader and the last chief of the Yakima indians, died.

The Boy Scouts set a new record for the sale of Red Cross Christmas seads.

Mrs. Geo. Tweedt entertained fourteen little tots at a Christmas tree party in honor of her daughter Eleanor's second birthday.

Shirley Mason showed in a five-reel drama movie, "The Awakening of Ruth," at the Princess Theatre.

The Public Library was moved from Third Street to the new hall at Second and Pacific Streets.

## Year In Review

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take up duties in extension office. Meistersingers present program in high school here.

March 19: Kennewick firemen win trophy, play host to association. First asparagus appears.

March 26: Kennewick High debaters win second place in state meet. Lane K. Larson announces Diamond Store will occupy new building on Kennewick Avenue.

April 3: Inland Airways starts twice a day air passenger service to Seattle. Senior Class presents "Junior Miss." Band goes to Wenatchee for Musical Festival.

April 10: Spring Carnival set for week-end showing. Truman Elliott's steers win local contest. Dennis Huntley named to head VFW.

April 17: Council awards second street paving contract to Standard Paving company for $30,037.53. Red Cross drive exceeds quota.

April 24: Pillsbury Milling company announces plans for construction in Kennewick. Smiley Burnette made honorary member of Kennewick Chamber of Commerce during appearance here.

May 1: Lorna Beames is Kennewick's princess in Wenatchee Blossom festival. Mayor and Mrs. Pratt prepare float. Inland Airways starts Sunday flights.

May 8: Three year old Lawrence Birge drowns in irrigation ditch. Citizens group pleads with council for action to protect ditch.

May 15: Coach Karamatic announces signing of contract for football game with Gonzaga. Damage estimated at $7,000 in Ray-D-Ant Cleaners fire.

May 22: Famed Norwegian Klang chorus sings in Kennewick. Allen Moore, high school senior, killed in truck crash.

May 29: Goodyear blimp visits Kennewick. Rev. P. J. Luvaas named to head Ministerial association.

June 5: X-ray car visits Kennewick. Virginia Lee hospital opens. Kennewick hottest spot in state with temperature at 100.

June 12: John Scott named recreation director. Kennewick firemen again place first in competitive drills.

June 19: Oregon orphan girl discovered here posing as boy. Local fliers join Okanogan meet.

June 26: Northern Aircraft flies load of Kennewick frozen food to Mexico City from Vista field. First plums shipped from Kennewick.

July 3: Legion makes public announcement of plans for construction of new building. Glen Gray orchestra heads July Fourth celebration activities.

July 10: Kennewick people join with rest of nation in "seeing" flying saucers. Improvement work started on Plymouth road.

July 17: Damage heavy in worst storm in many years. Fire destroys 1000 acres of wheat and stubble in eastern Horse Heaven.

July 24: Dick Clute named commander of Legion Post. Carl Slaybaugh killed by SP&S train.

July 31: Chamber Secretary Ross Frank attends sessions in Reno, Nev. Highlands Grange gets land gift from NP railway.

Aug. 7: Ed Brand and H. G. Fyfe confer with Commissioner Strauss in Portland on Irrigation project. Fresh Kennewick fruit flown to Alaska by Golden North Airways.

Aug 14: Kennewick residents join in caravan tour over Lolo Pass to Missoula. Extension Service grape school is success.

Aug. 21: "You're coasting," says Ed Phelan in address to Kennewick merchants. Teachers face heavy enrollment as school starts.

Aug. 28: Festival association announces Ralph Edwads to appear at Festival. Catch of big sturgeon opens argument of size. Guard organization announced.

Sept. 4: Festival books Buddy Rich orchestra. School enrollment reaches 1920. Announce Park-in Y theatre.

Sept 11: Nancy Bennett named Festival Queen. Governor accepts invitation to attend show. Kennewick aired on Edwards show.

Sept. 18: Purple edition of Courier-Reporter lists Festival highlights. Lineweaver heads reclamation delegation. Mayor Nordale heads Alaska delegation. Mrs. Mouncy, 1912 Festival queen, visits. Jimmy Dore makes helicopter jump at Yakima. Lions play John Rogers.

Oct 2: Repr. Jensen views Kennewick project with Congressional committee. Lions beat Ellensburg in opener.

Oct. 9: Mayor's committee announces goal of 1000 homes for Kennewick. Lions beat Wapate.

Oct. 16: Amon appointed to head housing committee. Legion holds building dinner. Lions defeat Richland.

Oct. 23: Willis Shook of Park View Homes, safe after being lost on hunting trip. Prof. Kirsten addresses Kiwanis. Lions beat Sunnyside.

Oct. 30: Announce building of 106 homes in Vista addition. Stores announce plan to stay open Friday nights. What's this? Grandview beats Lions!

Nov. 6: Inland Airways initiates 14 passenger plane. City budget set. October sets rainfall record.

Nov. 13: Lions eke out victory over Pasco. Shugg predicts 7,000 permanent employees at Richland plants.

Nov. 20: Garber addition brought into city. School rooms opened in old building.

Nov. 4: Announcement made of construction of 350 homes south of school. Kennewick representatives present road needs to legislative committee.

Dec. 11: Campaign launched here for Christmas Ship. Schubert Club prepared for Sunday program.

Dec. 18: Schools present varied musical program. Owen Hurd appointed PUD manager replacing J.B. Whitehead. Columbia Courier started for River Road area.

Dec. 25: Bill introduced for new post office in Kennewick. Approximately 150 business places greet residents in Courier-Reporter Christmas edition in holiday green.

## MEAT QUIZ

**Q. What is the name of this cut of meat?**
A. This is the veal breast.
**Q. Where does the cut come from, and how is it identified?**
A. The veal breast is cut from the breast section of veal and is a long, flat cut containing the breast bone and the rib ends. The flank end of the breast is ribless.
**Q. How should this cut be prepared?**
A. The veal breast may be stuffed, boned and rolled or cut into meat for a stew. For stuffed breast, a pocket is cut from either side or from the flank end, and filled with a bread, meat, vegetable or fruit stuffing. The stuffed breast or a boned and rolled breast is roasted in a slow oven (300° F.) until tender, allowing about 30 to 35 minutes per pound. The breast may also be braised with a small amount of water, allowing 1½ to 2 hours for cooking. Also allow 1½ to 2 hours when cut into pieces for stew.

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## Terracing Method Promises Bigger Wheat Yields by Conserving Water

A new pioneer method of terracing wheatland, designed to hold the run-off water on low flat areas is being tried by a farmer in the Moses Coulee.

Across a 48-acre filed W. A. McAfee of Palisades, with the help of Neal Preston of the soil conservation service, has built eight terraces, each 12 inches to 18 inches high. These terraces serve as flood dams which hold back the run-off water and give it a longer time to soak into the ground. Their gently sloping construction allows farm machinery to pass over them easily. Each terrace has a flood control gate, and good drainage is provided at the outlet. This style is being introduced for the first time by Preston and McAfee on Coulee soils.

The terraces were built this fall with an ordinary farm grader and plow at a cost of about $40 an acre.

This field, which has hitherto been producing only about 8 to 10 bushels of wheat per acre, is expected next year to yield about 40 bushels an acre as a result of the extra moisture penetration gained through the terracing, according to Geo. Delaney, Douglas county extension agent.

This is a pioneering project, stated M. D. Butler, Extension conservationist at Washington state college, which appears to be worthy of the attention of most of the wheat farmers of the Moses, Esquatzel, and other Coulee areas. Thousands of acres of this kind of land in the Coulee basins, which normally produce only 8 to 10 bushels of wheat per acre, could be adapted to such terracing, according to Butler.

If all, or nearly all, of the normal 8 inches of rainfall of this area could be held on the land through the use of terracing, most of this land would easily yield 40 bushels of wheat per acre. Most of the land is "fan delta" type, consisting of Esquatzel silt loam which produces well where moisture is adequate.

Flooding or other types of irrigation on Esquatzel silt loam will produce alkali in time, says Butler, unless adequate drainage is provided. This detail appears to be taken care of on the W. A. McAfee field.

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| | Alabama | Georgia | Kentucky | Mississippi | North Carolina | Tennessee | Virginia | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Former Property Taxes | | | | | | | | |
| On TVA Property (1) | | | | | | | | |
| All reservoir land (2) | | | | | | | | |
| State and municipal | $ 25,815 | $ 610 | $ 589 | $ 346 | $ 790 | $ 17,841 | $ -- | $ 45,991 |
| County and district | 51,457 | 1,890 | 15,347 | 2,824 | 19,880 | 296,124 | -- | 387,522 |
| Total | $ 77,272 | $ 2,500 | $ 15,936 | $ 3,170 | $ 20,670 | $ 313,965 | None | $ 433,513 |
| Purchased power property | | | | | | | | |
| State and municipal | $ 14,047 | $10,221 | $ 15,952 | $ 11,927 | $ 125 | $ 80,298 | $ 68 | $ 132,638 |
| County and district | 22,711 | 54,109 | 26,890 | 32,086 | 900 | 740,050 | 758 | 877,504 |
| Total | $ 36,758 | $64,330 | $ 42,842 | $ 44,013 | $ 1,025 | $ 820,348 | $ 826 | $1,010,142 |
| On Distributors' Power Property (3) | | | | | | | | |
| State and municipal | $ 21,668 | $ 1,203 | $ 8,600 | $ 12,103 | $ 146 | $ 849,866 | $ 2,178 | $ 895,764 |
| County and district | 24,265 | 6,846 | 14,345 | 29,949 | 776 | 653,905 | 773 | 730,859 |
| Total | $ 45,933 | $ 8,049 | $ 22,945 | $ 42,052 | $ 922 | $1,503,771 | $ 2,951 | $1,626,623 |
| Total Former Taxes | $159,963 | $74,879 | $ 81,723 | $ 89,235 | $ 22,617 | $2,638,084 | $ 3,777 | $3,070,278 |
| Tax and In-Lieu Payments | | | | | | | | |
| TVA Payments | | | | | | | | |
| To states | $365,462 | $10,466 | $100,630 | $ 12,065 | $105,481 | $ 352,497 | $ 9,242 | $ 955,843 |
| To counties | 43,293 | 54,864 | 33,028 | 33,216 | 9,208 | 858,983 | 758 | 1,033,350 |
| Total | 408,755 | $65,330 | $133,658 | $ 45,281 | $114,689 | $1,211,480 | $10,000 | $1,989,193 |
| Distributor Payments (4) | $130,241 | $ 3,874 | $ 23,531 | $ 90,624 | $ 2,447 | $1,859,152 | $ 1,474 | $2,111,343 |
| Total Payments | $538,996 | $69,204 | $157,189 | $135,905 | $117,136 | $3,070,632 | $11,474 | $4,100,536 |

(1) Amounts are average property tax levies for last two years properties were in private ownership, computed on basis of purchased property held and operated by TVA on June 30, 1945.
(2) Includes reservoir land allocated to navigation, flood control, etc., as well as that allocated to power.
(3) Amounts are property tax levies for last year properties were in private ownership, computed on basis of purchased properties acquired by the several contractors to June 30, 1945.
(4) Taxes and tax equivalents charged to operating expense by TVA power distributors for fiscal year 1946 aggregated $2,223,679, as compared with total payments of $2,111,343 shown here. The larger figure covers charges for social security levies and various business taxes applicable to cooperatives in some states, as well as property taxes and payments in lieu thereof. Most of the municipal power distributors make payments in lieu of taxes only to the owner municipalities. However, the Chattanooga, Knoxville and Nashville power boards, and several of the smaller municipalities, also make payments to the counties in which they operate.

# Phony Inflation Plan of NAM Exploded by O'Mahoney

**Washington, D.C.—Two representatives of the people made impassioned pleas in the senate for forthright action against inflation to put an end to the squeeze play perpetrated upon the citizens of the nation by certain vested interests.**

**Senators Joseph C. O'Mahoney of Wyoming and Wayne C. Morse of Oregon vigorously defended the public interest and** ridiculed the proposals of the National Association of Manufacturers to curb inflation.

Senator O'Mahoney, saying that "we can't defeat inflation with a feather duster," gave a detailed account of how uncontrolled prices, profits, and black markets are continually strengthening their hold over the economic future of the average American. He declared:

**Corporate Profits Up 63% Plus**

"Corporate profits in the first nine months of 1947, after paying taxes, are greater than corporate profits for the entire 12 months of 1946, which were the largest in history."

He presented long lists of examples to prove this, giving the names of the companies and their profits.

Selecting one sample at random: The U. S. Steel Corporation netted $97,306,461 in the 1947 nine months, compared to $57,467,894 in the 1946 entire year. In other words, profits nearly doubled.

These profits raise steel prices, and they are still further boosted by the steel "gray market," which O'Mahoney described in detail. Other industries, he said, also have their "gray" and "black" markets.

Will such profiteering be remedied by the "voluntary price controls" now being proposed in congress? O'Mahoney asked the senate.

"Are we going to try to fool the people of America? They will not be fooled by that sort of stuff. They know that prices are going up. They know they will continue to go up—unless the people's government does something about it.

"We shall be deceiving ourselves," O'Mahoney declared, "if we imagine we can turn over the economy of this nation to the small group of men who sit at the top of our economic system, and issue their orders as a private government, which every man in America must obey.

**Private Regimentation**

"We talk about regimentation by government, but these rising prices and swelling profits tell us what private regimentation does.

"It is commerce under private regulation which is causing the inflation that can destroy this government.

"Have we any intelligence?" Are we blind? Do we think we can fight inflation with a feather duster, and with polite phrases?

"The time has gone for pussyfooting for political pettyfogging. The time is here to do something for the people of America.

**People vs. Monopoly**

"The issue is between control of our economy by the masters of concentrated economic power, and control by the people's representatives. Give the government the power to act, or inflation will overwhelm the country."

Senator Morse joined with O'Mahoney in condemning the NAM for its anti inflation platform which has been spread over the newspapers of the country in full page ads paid for with money of industrial interests which can be deducted from their income tax as a legitimate business expense.

The Senator branded the NAM proposal as a "serious danger" which "will regiment our economy by big business monopolies." He added:

"The platform of the National Association of Manufacturers provides in point after point, apparently through so-called voluntary arrangements, to make it possible for greedy interests in this country to make higher and higher profits. Why, they even want now to permit the lifting of restrictions on interest rates so they can charge what the traffic will bear. In this advertisement they show that they are not even thinking of their stockholders any more, because they even want the controls protecting the rights of stockholders removed."

Touching upon the subject of increased wages as the claimed reason for high prices, Morse declared:

**Increase Wages a Buck, Bump Prices Two Bucks—Or More**

"When we talk about the need for increasing prices in order to take care of increased labor costs—because that is the song and dance of much of the propaganda of the National Association of Manufacturers—the fact is that in the major industries of the country, every time there has been a price increase in the name of an increase of labor cost, the price increase has been twice as much as was necessary to take care of the increase in labor costs.

"I think the time has come to put the lie on such propaganda as the National Association of Manufacturers is feeding the public of the country in the name of trying to check inflation as demonstrated by this advertisement.

"Their program will not check inflation. It will lead us to and through a boom-and-bust cycle."

MORAL: DON'T BE A NAM FOOL.

## Labor Department Employes Confirmed

Washington.—Presidential appointments of David A. Morse to be Under Secretary of Labor, John T. Kmetz to be Assistant Secretary of Labor, and Cyrus S. Ching to be Director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service have been confirmed by the United States Senate.

All three nominations had been unanimously approved by the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee after a brief hearing.

## Another Fine Book Find Club Book For February Selection

As its February choice, The Book Find Club announces the selection of CRITICS AND CRUSADERS by Charles A. Madison, published by Henry Holt & Company.

CRITICS AND CRUSADERS is the story of "century of American protest" told through the biographies of eighteen dissident leaders in 19th century social, political, and economic thought. The book covers six major movements: The Abolitionists; The Utopians; the Anarchists; The Dissident Economists; The Militant Liberals; and The Socialists. Men like John Brown and Henry George are brought into focus along with less well-known but important figures like Daniel De Leon and Randolph Bourne — lively proof that liberal thinkers can be birds of every sort of feather who don't necessarily flock together.

Produced after six years of research and writing, CRITICS AND CRUSADERS makes clear and interesting reading, has lasting value as a preference work.

## KILGORE BLASTS NAM 'BIG LIE' ON PRICES, RECALLS RECORD

Washington--FP—The same sort of campaign used by the Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers to kill price control under the OPA and to wreck the Wagner act by passing the Taft-Hartley amendments is now being waged against any steps to halt inflation, Sen. Harley Kilgore (D, W. Va.) said December 23.

Issuing a formal statement after congress adjourned for the Christmas holiday, Kilgore ripped into the NAM's so-called 12-point plan to halt inflation, widely advertised in the daily press. He likened it to the "big lie" technique used in 1944 to smother price control, a campaign which cost the NAM $3 million. he said.

The big objective of NAM in 1947, crippling the Wagner act, was carried out with the same technique, he said. Along with the present fight against inflation control, he charged, the NAM has already started on a campaign to emasculate the wage-hour law by saying that "high wages are caused by labor's failure to increase productivity.

Outlining some of the NAM propaganda techniques of which the public should beware, Kilgore said the group softened up a community by organizing community conferences, which were given "cultivation from NAM representatives and were told that OPA was the great obstructionist to plentiful goods and lower prices."

"The NAM brought out specifically designed propaganda sheets to influence different groups." he said. "One publication called Trends was fed to a selected group of 37,000 school superintendents, principals and teachers. Another sheet known as Understanding went to 15,000 clergymen.

"Another publication, Farm & Industry, went to 35,000 farm leaders and still another entitled Program Notes was provided for 40,000 leaders in women's clubs."

# WHIRLWIND OF WEASEL WORDS

By O. M. THOMASON
Willernie, Minn.

While reading Louis Fischer's "Is War Imminent?" in the recently demised Progressive (Sept. 29, 1947) I had to wrap myself in bedsheets soaked in pain-killer to endure the pain in my neck.

He pictured Uncle Sam as a saint with a halo over his head as big as the rings of Saturn but failed to mention the belt of atomic bombs under his stars-and-stripes vest. He implied that Uncle Sam is a 24-karat saint but mentions not the several thousand babies he reduced to atomic dust on some Japanese islands.

On the other hand he pictures J. Stalin as gulping vodka from flying saucers and peering defiantly at the world through slitted eyes. He didn't mention that part of the world, the biggest hunk of it, is searching high and low for an excuse to blow Joe into kingdom gone.

All the belabored effort to "prove" we don't want to try out the A-bomb on Joe is just a whirlwind of weasel words to obscure the ill-concealed facts. Mr. Fischer artlessly asks if Uncle Sam wants to fight Joe, what's he waiting for? O, my neck! Waiting for an "incident", any little excuse to open fire. The opinion of the world is worth a little something—yet.

Then he cites the fact that Uncle Sam's army and navy has dwindled to the vanishing point (a $11 billion per year vanishing point), and asks, innocently, does that look like we want to beseige Russia?—or words to that effect. Well, I snicker again and douse more liniment on my aching neck. We don't need vast armies and navies with the A-bomb under our belt. All we need is a few flying pilot-less rockets and Russia can be reduced to ashes over night.

And there's no use for Wall Street, Washington, Madrid, Rome, and a considerable sprinkle of uprooted and scattered to the ends-of-the-earth past masters of the world, to put on that injured innocent look. They are watching hopefully and waiting impatiently for the first flimsy excuse to "defend" themselves, even unto the extermination of one-fourth the human raec—just to restore status ante all over the earth.

I'm not saying that J. Stalin is right. I'm not saying that Uncle Sam is entirely and in toto wrong . . . but I would like to see the two ideologies given the patch test, not the scrap test. Let them quit saying "Boo!" and settle down to a dead heat race on the broad field of economic justice and social tranquility. I do not mean the freedom of a few to ride on the necks of the many.

Let there be a five-year test plan, a period in which all efforts would be devoted to developing civilization, not destroying what little we've got.

I defy Uncle Sam to make the motion to that effect.

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# $6 MILLION COUNTY'S SHARE OF U. S. BUDGET

## Marysville Only County Team Still in Tourney

### Monarchs Whip Brown, Alexandria; Play Grove City Wednesday Afternoon; Broadway, Richwood Are Defeated

Marysville High School remained very much in the thick of the battle for Class "B" basketball championship honors by virtue of two victories at Westerville, Thursday and Saturday. All other Union County teams, however, have been eliminated from the competition.

The Monarchs' victories came at the expense of Alexandria, Licking County champions, 44-30, and Brown Township, Delaware County runner-up, 45-21.

Broadway, Union County's champion, was blasted from the tournament by Amanda, Licking County No. 3 team, in their opening game, Friday evening. The score was 54-37.

Richwood, defeated for the County championship by Broadway by a one-point margin, lost its second-round game to Marengo, Morrow County champions, 52-30, Thursday. The Tigers had previously defeated Pleasantville, Fairfield County runner-up 53-46.

Raymond, Union County's No. 3 team, lost to Marengo, 66-29, in their opening round game, Tuesday evening, the first of Union County's entries to fall by the way-side.

Plain City, Madison County champions and one of the defending district co-champions from last year, saw a mid-game lead dwindle away in the closing moments and the Scotties lost their first game to Newark St. Francis, 55-50, Thursday evening.

**Meet Grove City Next**

As a result of their win over Brown ,Saturday evening, Marysville's Monarchs will return at 3 p. m. Wednesday to meet Grove City, Franklin County champions, in a lower-bracket semi-final game. Grove City, one of the better teams in the tournament, has romped to a couple of easy wins at the expense of Cardington, Friday night, and Newark St. Francis, Saturday.

Although Marysville fans have been agreeably surprised at the comparative ease with which the Monarchs won their first two games in the tournament, they can rest assured no such "picnic" will be in store for the locals Wednesday.

Grove City looked plenty tough as the Greyhounds went calmly about their business of wrapping up the Newark St. Francis affair. They jumped into an early lead against the taller St. Francis outfit and held the Newark team at bay throughout. The Grove City aggregation is fast, excellent shots and is well coached. The Monarchs are going to have their hands full, Wednesday afternoon.

If—IF—Marysville gets past Grove City, she will then be in the lower bracket finals and will play either Worthington or Fredericktown at 8 p. m. Saturday for the lower-bracket co-championship and the right to advance to regional play-offs. Worthington and Fredericktown, two more tough customers, will play each

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## HIGHWAY PROJECTS PLANNED IN COUNTY

### Route 347 Resurfacing, Bridge Repairs Slated

Resurfacing of one state highway in the county and repair of several bridges is planned by the State Highway Department for this summer, and contracts are to be let at 10 a. m. March 30. The projects are included in two legal notices to contractors to be published by the Department next week.

The road to be resurfaced is 5.84 miles of Route 347 in Leesburg and Taylor townships. It is included in projects with Marion and Delaware Counties, and total estimated cost is $55,589.

The bridge repair projects, all of which will have defective metal surfaces cleaned by sandblast, then one complete coat of prime paint and one complete coat of field paint applied, are:

Over Robinson's Run on Route 736, a single span 75 ft. 5 in. long.

Over Darby Creek in Milford Center, a high truss single span bridge 154 ft. 2 in. long.

Over Buck Run on Route 36, a single span 74 feet long.

Over Mill Creek on Route 36, a single span 174 ft. 9 in. long

Over Darby Creek on Route 275, a single span 100 feet long, and two approach spans 24 ft. 5 in. long.

The bridges are included in a single contract with three from Madison County and the total estimated cost is $8985. All of the projects are to be completed not later than Aug 15.

## HEART OF OHIO CLUB BANQUET

Twenty-fifth anniversary of the Heart of Ohio Fish & Game Association, one of the oldest sportsmen's clubs in the nation, was observed as the group held its annual banquet in Butler's Lunch & Soda Grill, Friday evening.

With Prosecutor William L. Coleman as toastmaster, the program was greatly enjoyed by all present. Attendance was estimated at 80 persons.

Featuring the program was a talk by Prof. Rod Barden, of Ohio State University, who showed colored motion pictures taken at the Lake of the Woods, Minn., a real fisherman's paradise. He was introduced by Dale Overly, Marysville real estate dealer and member of the Club.

Other short talks were given by Percy Harbage, Madison County sportsman, and Robert Vance, of Delaware County.

Considerable time was also given over to discussion of and reports on the Club's lake project. This is for the construction of a fishing lake about a mile west of Marysville, near the Bellefontaine rd., as a private project with the membership to be limited to approvimately 100. It will be located on about 19 acres of ground and about 10 acres will be under water. The remaining land will be for parking and a game sanctuary.

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*Plane, Superman or Saucer ?*

## Mysterious Object in Western Sky

Was it a bird?
Was it a plane?
Was it superman?
Or was it a "flying saucer?"

Several residents in Marysville and vicinity reported seeing a phenomenon about sundown Thursday, above the western horizon which still has them wondering what might have caused it.

Viewed from a considerable distance, it appeared to be like a moving chalk-mark which came in from the north, headed south, turned back north for a while, then finally disappeared in a southwesterly direction.

It might have been a vapor trail from an airplane, except it was too sharply defined. At intervals, bright light would flash from it, like the rays of the setting sun were being reflected from something metallic.

It was too far from Marysville for local people to get an idea what the obpect might have been. But the Bellefontaine Examiner for Friday carried this article which ties in as to both time and location and might easily give rise to another series of "flying suacer" stories:

"Another incident in the series of unexplained 'flying saucer' appearances was brought to light today by a report from an East Liberty farmer, who stated that he, his wife and their two sons definitely saw one of the objects, known as "flying saucers," last evening at 6:40 o'clock.

"John Thornton, his wife, Louise, and sons, David and Tom, were seated at the dining table for their evening meal when they saw the brilliant object pass the dining room windows.

"Mr. Thornton said the object was visible for at least a minute and a half and was still brightly aglow when it disappeared behind a cloud.

"The object, of very brilliant pinkish-white color and very definite in outline, appeared to be traveling at high speed. He judged the speed to be greater than that of any aircraft ever seen flying over this territory, and the altitude at 8,000 to 10,000 feet.

"Mr. Thornton said the object was rounded in front tapering down to the back, and was approximately five times as long as it was wide. It created no sound as it passed across the sunset sky.

And the Mansfield News-Journal had this to report in its Friday issue:

"Strange lights in the west, just before dark yesterday, brought to residents of Cline avenue memories of "flying saucers." Mrs. Olive Owen, 503 Cline avenue, reported a strange streak of light, traveling back and forth across the heavens. Mrs. Owen and her neighbors armed themselves with telescopes better to observe the as yet unexplained light which kept getting brighter as it came closer and closer to the earth. Finally just after 6 p. m. it disappeared below the horizon.

## INDIANA CHURCH MAGAZINE HONORS IRWIN NATIVE ON HIS 90TH BIRTHDAY

The story of a former Union County boy who has recently celebrated his 90th anniversary is told in a recent issue of an Indiana magazine. He is Dr. A. D. Woodworth, native of Irwin, and uncle of Mrs. Nellie Peters, of that village.

The article, written by a Rev. Alan T. Jones, was sent to The Journal by Mrs. Peters. It follows:

On the Sunday before his 90th birthday, Dr. Woodworth preached at Merom Institute to the combined congregations of our Robinson and Merom Churches, who united in paying tribute to one who for nine years had taught at Union Christian College, and for forty-one years had been a missionary to Japan, representing the Christian Church. Following this service, there was a special dinner in Dr. Woodworth's honor. On one of the two immense birthday cakes given him was a man riding a bicycle, symbolic of this missionary who at 90 rides his bicycle to the store. This past summer he kept over an acre of lawn mowed, and at 5:30 in the morning would deposit vegetables from his garden on his neighbor's doorsteps.

As the fifteenth child of Asahel and Hilah Woodworth, the Doctor takes a great deal of satisfaction in the fact that his parents did not believe in small families. Food was no problem for a family living on a 500-acre farm near Irwin, Ohio in the year of 1857. Another boy would more than earn his way by pitching hay and shucking corn.

At eighteen, the Doctor was teaching school for thirty dollars a month, earning money to attend Oberlin College. Five times before he graduated from this institution, he interrupted his studies to teach awhile and to earn money to go on. With a debt of $400 he graduated in 1883, and accepted a position as Latin teacher in Merom at Union Christian College. Soon all his debts were paid.

Young people who attend summer conferences at Merom will remember the library room in College Hall. In this room one night years ago at prayer meeting, the Doctor, for the first time, saw Miss Ida Penrod. That very evening they strolled together down the narrow college board walk, for there was no cement pavement then.

Now for more than sixty years they have journeyed many thousands of miles together—the Doctor's life of rich service made possible by the wife who unobtrusively and quietly helped him on.

They are spending their sunset days in Merom, helping the Merom and Robinson Churches, writing to a daughter and grandchildren in Australia, and in general leading happy, useful lives.

## SHEEPMEN PLAN BANQUET FRIDAY

Annual Union County Sheep banquet to be held in the Pharisburg School, at 7:15 p. m. Friday. Walter Bluck, executive secretary of the Ohio Council of Farm Cooperatives, will be the speaker. His topic will be "What Farm Cooperatives Can Do For Ohio Farmers." Mr. Bluck is a former Agricultural Extension agent of Clinton County, where the first lamb pool was organized in Ohio.

A lamb carcass judging contest will be held for all people present between 6:30 and 7:15. Carcassess are to be furnished by the Swift Packing Co.

Tickets for the banquet can be purchased from one of the following members of the Sheep Improvement Committee:

John Bell, Richwood Rt. 2; Ben Roahen, Peoria Rt. 1; Walter Low Marysville Rt. 2; Ralph McMahon Richwood Rt. 2; Guy Robinson, Milford Center, Rt. 1; J. E. Hoover, Peoria Rt. 1; Melvin Kennedy, Marysville Rt. 1; Frank Rausch, Marysville Rt. 2; Chester Scheiderer, Marysville Rt 2; Sam Westlake, Marysville Rt. 1; Guy Green Peoria Rt. 1; Chris Boerger, Marysville Rt. 2; Ralph Herd, Peoria Rt. 1; Walter Kasper, Marysville Rt. 2; and Ernest Fish, Richwood Rt. 3.

## TEMPERATURE RECORDS BROKEN BOTH WAYS WITH 19 BELOW, 64 ABOVE MARKS

February of this year broke temperature records in both directions when the government thermometer dropped to 19 degrees below zero on Feb. 9 and then climed to 64 degress above, 10 days later, Russell S. Banks, local weather observer reported today.

The average temperature for the month was 27.9 degress.

The 19 degrees below on the 9th, is a record never before equalled in February. Last year, the low was five degrees below and 1946 had only a low of two degrees above zero.

Eight inches of snow was recorded during the month which, with sleet and scattered rainfall, amounted to 3.64 inches of precipitation. The average precipitation for February for the past 32 years is 1.97 inches making this month 1.67 inches above average.

The greatest rainfall was noted on the 14th when 2.07 inches fell, causing streets and lowlands to flood since the ground was frozen and unable to take care of the surface water.

The 29 days of the "leap year" month were classed as 11 clear, six partly cloudy and 12 cloudy.

Rainfall was recorded as follows: .24 inches on the 4th; .08 inches on the 5th; .02 inch on the 6th; .02 inch on the 12th; 2.07 inches on the 14th; .10 inch on the 22nd; .02 inch on the 25th; .25 inch on the 26th and .84 inch on the 28th.

The month's snowfall was noticed on the following days: 3½ inches on the 4th; 1½ inches on the 5th; ½ inch on the 6th; 1½ inches on the 14th and 1 inch on the 21st.

## UNION COUNTIANS AT SEED 'SCHOOL'

Improvement in seed and protection of crops from disease, insects and weeds were emphasized in the 13th annual Seed Growers School held in Columbus, Feb. 26-27.

Registerants from Union county included: C. J. Boerger, Ralph Bolenbaugh, L. G. Brubaker, Meredith Hall and A. J. Hall, of Marysville; H. H. Coons, of Richwood.

The school, sponsored by the department of agronomy, Ohio State University and the Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station, brought together 400 Ohioans interested in seed and crop improvement, most of them members of the Ohio Seed Improvement Association and the Ohio Hybrid Seed Corn Producers.

First speaker was L. L. Rummell, dean of the OSU College of Agriculture and director of the Experiment Station, on plans of those agencies to assist in seed and crop inprovement. Other opening morning subjects were "Essentials of Good Corn Production" and "Control of Seed House Pests".

Thursday afternoon was devoted largely to the use of 2, 4-D in weed control. Friday's emphasis was on effective advertising for seed producers, pricing practices, customer service, seed reserves, legume seed production, disease control, control of seed defects, new corn hybrids, Hawkeye soybeans, Ajax oats, and a report of the Committee on Release and Distribution of New Crops Varieties.

"Faculty", in addition to speakers from Ohio State and the Experiment Stations, included L. L. Huber, Pennsylvania State College; L. G. Brubaker, Scott Farm Seed Company, Marysville; Clifford Coffman, seed growers, Carroll; Warren H. F. Schmiedling, attorney specializing in unfair competition, Columbus; W. G. Weigle, manager, Marsh Foundation Farms, Van Wert; M. T. Meyers, Hillsboro, president, and Clark S. Eberle, Columbus, assistant secretary-treasurer, Ohio Seed Improvement Association; and these from Ohio Hybrid Seed Corn Producers—Max Scarff, New Carlisle, president; J. E. VanFossen, Croton, manager; John Wilson, Croton, publicity director.

### ALLEN JUNIORS TO GIVE CLASS PLAY THIS FRIDAY

Members of the Allen Local High School junior class will present the play, "Mama's Angel Child," in the Allen School auditorium at 8 p. m. Friday. Admission will be 20 and 40 cents. The plot revolves around a mother who has her 21-year-old daughter disguise as a 6-year-old so the mother can win a millionaire playboy. But daughter has to complicate things by falling for a famous football star.

In the cast are:

Christine Paver as Mrs. Charmer, a young widow; Leona Wallace as Daphne, her charming daughter; Rosalie Hobbs as Ellen, retired maid; Charles Murphy as Dick Armstrong, a football star; Tom Paver as Horace Bagely, a wealthy widower; Eugene Rice as Willoughbly, man-servant; and Rose Bollach as Miss Kreech, governess.

### DRAIN TILE OUTLET

An iron pipe six feet long at the outlet end of a tile drain will save a lot of trouble in outlet maintenance.

*LEGION PLANS 'FOURTH' CELEBRATION*

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**Although the event itself is still four months away, members of Union Post No. 79, American Legion, are already planning their big Fourth of July celebration for this summer. One of the feature attractions will be a horse show staged by the Heart of Ohio Saddle Club, and members of the club and Legion are shown above making some preliminary arrangements.**

**From left to right, the picture shows William C. Otte, post commander; Eugene Rausch and Floyd Blue, co-chairman of the Fourth celebration; Mrs. Frank Holycross jr., Homer Herd, and Carrol Blue, representing the Saddle Club.**

## Ex-County Teacher To Mark Birthday

George W. Walker, former Union County school teacher, now a resident of Minneapolis, will celebrate his 87th birthday on March 12. In anticipation of that date, he has sent the following postcard to The Journal:

"On March 12, '48, if spared, I shall have reached the good old age of 87.

"In my 50 years of teaching, I have perhaps had 10,000 pupils under my tutelage. Many have passed over the border; many survive. In all the passing years, many of these same pupils have remembered me on my birthday with cards, letters and gifts, for which I have always been deeply grateful. As I am in failing health this may be the last time I shall send you greetings.

"God bless you all for your kindness. I can truthfully say I never had a pupil that I disliked."

"George W. Walker,
2700 Fremont Ave., S.,
Minneapolis 8. Minn."

### $440 SECURED TOWARD YOUTH CENTER PROJECT

First week's solicitation for funds to finance the remodling and redecoration of the room for the Marysville Youth Center has proven successful according to Mrs. Beriah Edwards, supervisor of the youth group.

Mrs. Edwards reported that the center had already received $440 in cash and also received a letter from the Davidson Electric Farm and Home Store stating, "We at the Davidson Electric Farm and Home Store are glad to help with your project. In behalf of men and management, we will furnish plumbing labor free."

### TEACHERS TO SPARE

Marysville high school had teachers to spare Friday afternoon when 20 students in secondary education at Ohio State University spent the afternoon visiing the various classes. The group spent Friday morning touring the Reformatory for Women.

## SENIOR HIGH HONOR LIST ANNOUNCED

Honor list of the Marysville Senior High School for the fourth six weeks period was announced today by Miss Ferne Mills, principal. Names on the list marked with an asterisk (*) are pupils having the highest grades in each home room; those followed by a K are Kiwanis honor pupils for the period. The list follows:

12th girls—Wilma Pepper, superior, and Barbara Asman *K, Jane Beasecker, Marilyn Coleman, Frances Davis, Mary Hamilton, Louise Henry, Erma Rausch Marcelle Scheiderer, Eileen Wilson, Mary C. Wright.

12th boys—Bob Davis*, superior and Jim Beck, Bob Cosgray, Eugene Eirich K, Harry Evans, Robert Feucht, Clifford Huffman, Jack McGuire, Bernard Rausch, Bill Wall, Bill Woodson.

11th girls—Sally Asman K, Dorothy Coleman K, Jeanne Dailey, Anne Kingsmore *, Marjorie Rausch, Gayle Willams *, superior, and Rosemary Avery, Jeanene Blue, Marjorie Brown, Suzanne Coleman, Nancy Elbin, Nancy Graves, Mary Jewell, Betty Kaufman, Susan Knoderer, Clara McCracken, Margaret Reams, Wanda Tillman, Evelyn Woodburn, and Mary Burns.

11th boys—John Dailey *, John Dayton, superior, and Robert Conrad K, Richard Bigler K, Willard Nicol, Kenneth Scheiderer.

10th girls—Connie Wall *, Elizabeth Weidman *K, Mary Ellen Haggard, Jean Conrad, and Verla Hartshorn, superior, and Mary Belle Hamilton, Janet Hardman, Wilma Jewell, May Ballard, Nancy Yarrington, Madge Davis, Suzanne Ebright, Jo Ann Woerlein, Jayne Andrews, Peggy Dow, and Betty Graves.

10th boys—Philip Eirich *K, Eugene Cook, Gene Shoemaker, Bill Boyd, Bill Worthington, Mike Fox.

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## MARYSVILLE MUSIC DEPARTMENT SETS 'RADIO SHOW' IN AUDITORIUM THURSDAY

Marysville High School music department will present a "Radio Show", entitled "Tune In", at 8 p. m. Thursday in the high school auditorium, over "Station M. H. S.".

If you are unable to locate that station on your home radio dial, or if your television set is not operating properly—you will want to be present when all the music organizations of the school present their spring concert. Three bands and three choruses will perform. Two hundred and fifty music students from the local Junior and Senior high school will take part.

Donald Euverard, Marysville music director, promises a program of varied music, with unique staging and lighting. The color, glamor and even comedy will provide interest for all who attend.

No admission will be charged but those attending must have a ticket. There are 900 seats and 900 tickets. First come first serve. Doors open at 7:30 p. m. Tickets may be secured from members of the bands or choruses or may be obtained for the asking at Wogamont's Drug store.

The band program includes two beautiful and exciting overtures, a South American selection, two popular numbers and a trumpet duet by the two smallest members of the band, Russell Simpson and Larry Stump. The finale with combined band and chorus, should send everyone home rejoicing.

## SUM 17.3 TIMES GREATER THAN ALL LOCAL TAXES HERE

### Truman's 1948 Budget Request Would Cost $296 for Each Person

Operation of the Federal government during the fiscal year 1948-1949 will cost the residents of Union county an estimated $5,978,016 if the Presidential budget recently submitted to Congress is enacted, according to the Ohio Chamber of Commerce in a statement issued Saturday

The cost for Ohio-at-large would be $2,296,835,100, or approximately $296 for every man, woman, and child in the state.

This amount represents the share of the proposed $39,700,000,000 Federal expenditures for the 1948-48 fiscal year which would fall upon the State's taxpayers according to Executive Vice President Herschel C. Atkinson. The estimate is based on individual income payments to all Ohio residents, and broken down into counties, according to the estimated population of each county.

Indicative of Union County's burden of proposed Federal spending is the disclosure that the amount, $5,978,016 is approximately 17.3 times the local real and public utility property taxes levied for all purposes in the county for 1946, the Ohio Chamber's statistics revealed.

The amount of these local real and public utility tax levies in Union County was $345,209 according to analysis.

The size of the Federal budget, and the amount of taxes collected to support it,, have now became a back-home problem of tremendous importance to the Ohio taxpayer, Mr. Atkinson said.

The Ohio Chamber official pointed out that the Federal government now spends on the average approximately 21 cents out of each dollar of the personal income of all Ohio residents. Ohio business leaders, Mr. Atkinson stated, are seriously concerned with the trends the national government continues to develop in extravagant expenditures.

## HOME-TALENT RACE EVENTS BOOKED

The Union County and Plain City Fairs will again feature colt races at their 1948 expositions and are looking forward to a "better than ever" race card this year.

That was the report which followed the meeting of the Home Talent Colt Racing Association held in Mt. Vernon last week. Nine points will be on the Home Talent Circuit this year. They are Mt. Vernon, Plain City, Urbana, Hilliard, London, Canton, Canfield, Marysville and Ashland.

Members of the colt stake chain and horsemen re-elected O. C. Adleman, Mt. Vernon, president of the group.

Many fairs stated they will employ starting gates and photo finish. Briggs Mercer, Plain City, is mounting a starting gate on an automobile to be used at a number of the fairs.

President Floyd Deck, Secretary Fred Guy and Stewart Anderson represented the Madison County fair at the meeting. Mr. Anderson has become well known as a race official serving at many county fairs and the Ohio State Fair last year.

Plain City was represented by a number of fair officials and race enthusiasts.

As a part of a splendid racing card scheduled for the Union County Fair, Sept., four Home Talent colt stakes will be scheduled. The $1000 colt stakes include a 2-yr-old pace, 2-yr-old trot, 3-yr-old pace and a 3-yr-old trot, officials stated today.

### BOUND TO GRAND JURY

Lester Smothers was released on bond of $200 Saturday, after he pleaded not guilty to a charge of non support, before Justice William Snodgrass. Complaining witness in the case is Margaret Smothers, The case will be heard before the next term of Grand Jury.

## Airway Unit Airings

**Editor's Note: — Please see that the column comes to the JOURNAL first.**

Quite a few fellows had better watch out, for this is Leap Year, and the girls are plenty. Two fellows of Dept. 10 were caught and one more will be if he doesn't start running.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the immediate family and close friends of Al Wineke, who was a faithful employee of the machine shop for the past 20 years.

My, what a cute face Jerry Brown was seen wearing last week. That mustache would make a good broom for sweeping Dept. 10.

It is very surprising to see such a slim crowd at the last meeting, especially for the nomination of the new committeemen. It seems the ones that never come seem to do the griping later.

Leap Year started out with a bang in Dept. 10. First, Don Wright married Jan. 3. Then came Tommy, married Jan. 10. Didn't get in Monday morning. Now there's talk who's next. Don Kapp and Nancy or Jack Hoots and Edna. Don and Jack are asking all the married men about married life. Everyone says it's just what you make it. Jimmy Van Kirk still hasn't set his date yet. What's the matter, Jim?

Do you want to be a good bowler? If you do, this is what you have to do: When you are out bowling and can't control the ball start beefing, push the bowling balls around that are on the rack, cuss and get the rest of the team in the same mood, and when you take your stride you have such a long face that you can kick your chin around the approach so the rest of the bowlers can slide around. This should make everyone happy and interested in the sport. Then to top it off don't keep score because it is your job as captain to sit on the side like a dunce if you run out of cuss words.

### King Defends Right

OSLO, Norway (LPA) — A constitutional amendment providing that every citizen has the right and duty to work was introduced in Parliament last week by King Haakon. The king said that the state should provide work for the unemployed and force anyone not gainfully employed to work where manpower is needed.


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## Ragging the Scale

By Chuck "Jackpot" Cramer

Have patience lads, as soon as Eddie Suchoki becomes father again he will pass out the cigars to each and every one as per his promise. That is, the next time.

He's loose in the Scale. Known as the Terrible Terror or Gun Slinging bandit, also known as Two Gun Banks. We knew he was bad, but not that bad.

Barbering with haircuts at $1 per is supposed to be a good racket, but it has a new angle now. Robert (Little Lush) Martin and Bill (Big Lush) Kenny traveled to Trilby to have the committee barber, Dan Biker, trim them. And he did. As Bill was playing the one-armed bandit, Bike grabbed a coin while Bill was getting more change hurried around the chair, knocking Little Lush down in the rush and then added insult to injury by hitting the jackpot. The boys are looking for a new barber.

Col. Note: I had one of my stooges write last week's column, and as usual, when I don't do the job, it wasn't good. Was it Sibyl?

We want to know if George Welsh is trying to cut down on barber bills by eliminating part of his hair.

Alice informs us that Wayne Willingham can answer any question you may have pertaining to bathtubs and bathroom equipment.

We wish to express our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. John Gunther, who recently lost one of their twins.

Nelson Hollinger better get a check-up for that enormous appetite. They tell us you hit the lunch wagon at every stop.

Harry Slovar deserves the white orchid. Harry has reported for work 10 consecutive days. Your health must be improving.

Helen Kern got a bright idea. Last Saturday night as she and Earl were about to leave home, Earl discovered a button missing on his overcoat. After several little discussions over said button Helen solved the problem by sewing up the button hole.

Did you see that big line-up the other night about 3:20? Al Suchochi had brake trouble. Better get this fixed, Al. Lots of folks were late waiting on you to clear the aisle.

### This Is Postwar Stuff

WASHINGTON (LPA)—General Eisenhower and General MacArthur may be playing it cagey, but not so Brig. Gen. Herbert C. Holdridge. He's announced his candidacy for the Democratic presidential nomination. The former Adjutant General's Department officer has been speaking in the name of the People's Party, with a foreign policy like Henry Wallace's, and an economic plan all its own. His partisans will campaign for him within Democratic circles now that Wallace is out of the way.

### Kraft Workers Get Boost

CHICAGO (LPA)—More than 2,000 AFL dairy workers at the Kraft Cheese plants in Wisconsin and Illinois were awarded across-the-board wage increases last week of 18 and 20 cents an hour.


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## Champion Unit Sparklets

The annual collection for the March of Dimes that was taken up last week showed a total of $312.56. This shows the generosity of the members of the Champion Unit, although faced with the inflated cost of living they were still willing to contribute their share to help a crippled child walk again. Many thanks.

We were glad to see Marie Fought back to work again after an illness of several months.

The annual meeting of the share holders of the Champion Factory Credit Union is scheduled for Jan. 31. All members are urged to be in attendance to hear the financial report of the treasurer, and the other workings of your Credit Union. A dance is being planned after the meeting. The meeting and dance will be held at the O-Tanta-La Grotto Hall, Detroit near Central Ave.

Employees of Dept. D feel that they have been overlooked by the selectors of America's Ten Best Dressed Men. Our candidate for the number one man spot is Elmer Rahn.

The plumbing propects in Dept. D are progressing nicely. The new bird bath was basin for the men, and all new toilets have been installed in the women's rest room.

Don't forget the Educational Levy of $1 is due before you can pay your January dues in 1948.

Dora Tesch, Agnes Koester and Rose Rager were delegates from the Champion Unit to the Region 2-B Women's Conference that was held at Local 12. We understand that the talks were very enlightening and the picture show of the Summer Camp was very interesting.

We are of the belief that at least one employee knows for sure that the new conveyance for bringing plugs from Dept. E to Dept. D is not for pleasure rides.

The ticket sales for the benefit hockey game to be played on Jan. 24 in the Sports Arena was very good. If you haven't purchased your tickets yet do so at once. Fifty cents from each ticket will go to the Local 12 Children's Summer Camp.

Dora Tesch, who finally bought another car last month, just because the old one wouldn't start is now having the same experience with this one.

### They Call It The "Fourth Estate"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 (LPA) — Reporters who wear out their shoe-leather covering a beat will be happy to know that they are engaged in a "full-fledged profession." In fact, they are engaged in a very high-type intellectual pursuit, involving the exercise of great judgment and discrimination.

Like the school teacher and the hospital nurse, however, it's a tough business, being a "professional." Now, the publishers have clashed with the American Newspaper Guild-CIO over what constitutes a professional or administrative employe.

The issue is whether or not reporters are paid overtime after 40 hours' work a week, as required by the present rules under the Fair Labor Standards Act.

At hearings before officials of the Wage & House Division of the Labor Dep't last week, Executive Vice President Sam Eubanks of the ANG got down to cases with General Manager Cranston Williams of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association on the other side of the table.

The Guild spokesman proposed a salary test of $500 a month as a minimum to qualify for exemption of executives, administrative and professional employes from overtime compensation requirements of the law. At present, the test is $200 a month, a level set in 1940.

Williams argued that journalism is a profession.

Eubanks quoted in retort H. L. Menken, a director of the Baltimore Sun newspapers, who once wrote that "The journalist remains, for all his dreams, a hired man . . . and a hired man is not a professional man. The essence of the professional man is that he is answerable for his professional conduct only to his professional peers. A physician cannot be fired by anyone . . . A lawyer is in the same boat. So is a dentist. So, even is a horse doctor. But a journalist still lingers in the twilight zone along with the trained nurse, the embalmer . . ."


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## Union-Built Homes

A 2½-room apartment in the Carl Mackley Houses, Philadelphia housing project built for its members by the American Federation of Hosiery Workers, costs $32 a month. These apartments, built 12 years ago, can't be duplicated by other union's mutual and co-op housing projects without new forms of Federal assisstance, AFHW officials told a Joint Congressional Committee on Housing at open hearings in Philadelphia. Carl Mackley Houses were financed with a government loan under the Nat'l Industrial Recovery Administration. (LPA)

## National Supply Unit News

By "Shorty" Sager

By superior reasoning, our brass hats figure to double assembly production by squeezing Dept. 40 into half the original space in the new building. By this same brainy gush, no assembly space should quadruple production. Some sense, eh?

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to John Sentle, Dept. 52, who recently lost his father.

Carl Baun, who is convalescing at his home, wishes to thank the Unit for the wonderful Christmas presents.

We would like to see Mel Penn going to church in that new suit his wife bought him for Christmas. We wonder if the table and four chairs have that new look.

We are all glad to see Ernie Harloff (Dept. 44, nights) back to work after being off sick for a long time.

The boys in Dept. 43 would like to know if Millard Farber works on the gear cutters, or in Dept. 40.

We are sorry to hear about Bob Lorenz breaking his arm and about Rollie Moss cutting his arm so bad. We wish Bob and Rollie speedy recoveries.

Now that George Frisbie is back on Assembly again, Al Lohbauer will start his long-awaited vacation!

The boys in Dept. 40 would like to know if the management would furnish Aaron Johnson with an air gun so he can play with it at home.

We wish to remind John Kloesen the next time he wants to know something about his work to ask the new leader, Louie Bateman. Shame on you, Louie!

Wedding bells will soon be ringing for Henry Meyers in the Machine Repair. We hope Mrs. Meyers will eat with Hank at home, so he won't eat breakfast every morning with the boss.

### Unions Attack UMT Proposals

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (LPA)—The War Department's watering down of the first year's application of its universal military training program in time for endorsement in the President's State of the Union message didn't increase its popularity in the labor movement.

A request for further hearings to permit presentation of more representative opposition to the House Military Affairs Committee was sent to Rules Committee Chairman Leo Allen (R., Ill.) by the Workers Defense League of which many AFL and CIO officials are members.

While labor remained almost solidly opposed to UMT, Truman's recommendation for its speedy enactment received the support of Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York, who hopes to be the President's challenger in this year's elections.

Congressional opinion is still divided without much reference to party affiliation. Rep. Walter G. Andrews (R., N. Y.) is seeking clearance from the Rules Committee to bring his committee's version of UMT, the Towe Bill, to an early vote on the House floor.

Principal feature of the War Departments suggested revision in UMT legislation is a proposal not to induct any of the eligibles into full time training the first year, only one-third the second year, two-thirds of the 19-year-olds during the third year, and all of them in the fourth year of the program. The Navy has come up with the idea that it can train its quota on dry land.


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## On The Surface

By Sir Syd

Jack LaFort, Russ Spencer and bunch of the boys from Bob Moore's gang are hockey-minded. They recently travelled to Windsor, Canada to see the Toledo Mercurys play. Some of the boys who drink coke in Toledo found a new name for the usual drink while there.

Frank Kococinski, Machine Shop lad, says that he has a problem in this, that Jim Wittman owes him a radio. Wittman claims a certain company owes him two radios and that when he receives them Frank will get his. Get your 29 cents back Frank.

Cliffty Rein has taken 30 days leave. Could it be that he is going to campaign for Henry Wallace?

Stanley Wisniewski has been very evasive lately, but we are reliably informed that he is about to take that fatal plunge into the sea of matrimony.

"Did Jake buy you a fur coat with his Christmas bonus check?" Is the question which Bill (Four Roses) Sheehan asked of Jake Parkers wife. And ever since then Jake's in the the canine domicile.

Nominations for Unit officers will be held Feb. 11.

Paul McClellan's secret desire is to have the five best bowlers in the shop on his team. If so, would Paul become a sub?

Have you ever met a fellow with a better disposition than Ollie Heltman?

The following are on the sick list: Melvin Prybylski and Fred Sheets. John Benner is recovered and back to work.

Our sympathy is expressed to Arthur Baker who recently lost his wife.

Please fill out a form supplied by your committee if you are not getting your UNION JOURNAL. Turn it in to the dues office window, or give it to your steward.

### Vets to Stage Housing Rally

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (LPA)—Veterans of World War II will rally here in February for a big-scale conference intended to impress Congress with the need for fast action on the Taft - Ellender - Wagner housing bill.

Three leading youthful politicians, all veterans, visited President Truman last week, to tell him about the conference and to invite him to address the meeting. Rep. John Kennedy (D., Mass.), Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., and Robert Wagner, Jr., son of the veteran New York author of the Wagner Act, were the three.

Meanwhile, reports that Sen. Taft might be weakening in his support of the housing bill which bears his name—the only Taft measure supported by organized labor—were confirmed. Taft told a reporter for the Washington Post that he believed he would have to compromise in order to get any housing legislation at all.

### Miners Ask Raise

GLACE BAY, N. S. (LPA)—The United Mine Workers here are demanding a daily wage increase of $1.10 among other demands submitted to Dominion Steel and Coal Corp. by UMW District 26. The membership voted for the $1.10 request in a referendum conducted last September.


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## Spicer News

By RAY SOMMERS

Ray Milne is writing letters again. Ray must lie awake nights dreaming up new material for letters. Uncle Sam doesn't care just so the envelope carries a 3-cent stamp.

Clem Mockensturm is commander of the North-End V.F.W. Post. He's a busy man these days.

Neal Millsaps was elected steward of Dept. 15-A, days. We wish him a lot of luck.

Hats off to the boys in Dept. 72 for their continued efforts to oust the guy who refused to join the union. A pat on the back for Ed Brietfelder, the department steward for his leadership.

Felix Sniegowski is the proud owner of a new ar. That's the reason he stopped handing out cigars. He has to watch his dough from now on.

Nonimations of candidates for the bargaining committee will take place Feb. 1 at the regular Unit meeting.

Men in 42-B wish they could get some of that excess heat from Heat Treat department. Their's is about the coldest place in the entire shop.

Let's all get behind the summer camp fund drive and support this worthy cause. After all, its the children of the union members who are getting the best break at the camp.

Many members are not aware that they can pay their dues here in the shop. Look up a member of the Membership Committee for information.

Earl Ordway deserves a lot of credit for his good work as secretary of the bowling league.

Get your news to me in 15-A, 2nd trick. I come in about 2:40 each day.

### The Progressive Comes Back

MADISON, Jan. 14 (LPA)—With an editorial headed "Resurrection," the Progressive, the LaFollette's newspaper which printed its last issue Oct. 6, resumed publication this month as a non-profit cooperative monthly magazine.

More than $40,000, every penny of it contributed by its readers, made the dreamed-of revival of the Progressive a reality, said its editors. "We are working with a smaller staff than ever," they announced, "but it is a labor of love and hope. We are working with a new format and a new tempo and they present a multitude of problems but we count it a rare privilege to embark on this exciting adventure."

The LaFollettes are divesting themselves of all ownership and control which will go to the foundation of contributing subscribers but the editorial policy remains one for "progressive democracy."

### Cops Join Union

ST. PAUL (LPA)—The employes of the St. Paul Police Department voted last week to form an organization and affiliate with the AFL. Detective Peter C. Kramer was elected president and Sergeant Herbert Werner was chosen director.


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## Steel Tube Briefs

By "Speedy" Futrel

Extra! Mystery of flying saucers solved. Steve has been making kites and putting lanterans on them so he can fly them at night.

Have you hockey fans exchanged your coupons for a ticket for the Local 12 game Saturday night?

Ann Seaman wants a secretary. She attended the women's conference. How those women can talk.

The fishing bug is back again. Rich Vore and some of the boys drove 100 miles last Saturday and returned with nary a fish.

The police say that we cannot park in restricted areas. As a result several of us are $2 poorer.

See the bulletin board for important announcement from your sick committee. Send Dutch Yerg a card. He's in the hospital.

We will have a new columnist for the next issue. Butch Nodolny writes on Thirty Years In the Tube.

Don't forget, Feb. 1 is the date that we elect committee men for the ensuing year. Entertainment afterwards.

Our sympathy is extended to Casper Sniergowski and Ernest Salyer, both of whom recently lost their fathers.

## Commutator Comments

Big Ray claims that he wore the knees out of six pairs of pants last year scrubbing the kitchen floor.

Bob Hartsing, junior outlaw of McClure, has set the day. We wish both him and Wanda the best of luck.

What a wonderful husband the oald head is going to make. He gives out with diamonds and wrist watches and is now taking up cooking.

Say, Gerta, just how much do your shoes weigh?

Bob Daughter's apple supply makes it appear that about one-third of the shop has joined the red apple club.

Art Ery has a new dog. Every time he comes late for work we worry about him because he swears that she is a man-eater.

Kenny, the boy wonder stock chaser, is going places—a girl, a ring and a new car. That's super.

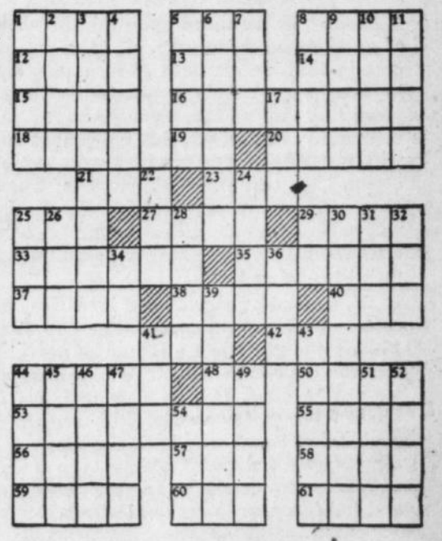
Our men's bowling team is on top and would like a little support on Monday evenings. Let's get out and give them a hand.

Some day John Pullen is going to fool us and come to work with his eyes open.

Alice Geis says she weighs 120 pounds, but that's sopping wet with a brick in each hand.

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Solution in Next Issue.



No. 44

**Horizontal**

1 To cease
5 Flying mammal
8 Migration
12 No score, in tennis
13 Chalice
14 This place
15 Solar disk
16 End
18 Gull-like bird
19 Spanish article
20 Constrain
21 Feline
23 Archaic: antiquity
25 Gone by
27 Heraldic: grafted
29 Kiln
33 Third sign of the zodiac
35 Yellowish
37 Sweetsop
38 Latvian
40 Instrumental duet
41 Local: to bewitch
42 Before
44 Tilled land
48 Symbol for calcium
50 Annoys
53 Catastrophe
55 So be it
56 Entry
57 Poetic: to unclose
58 Narrow ribbon
59 Receptions
60 Greek letter
61 Poker stake

**Vertical**

1 Lath
2 Colloquial: to carry
3 To conquer
4 Normal contour feather
5 Foundation
6 Charm against witchcraft
7 Sticky substance
8 Those things
9 To gather
10 Gaelic
11 To capsize
17 Spanish hero
22 Numeral
24 For fear that
25 Turkish title
26 To become
28 River in Africa
29 Symbol for oleum
30 City magistrate
31 French coin
32 Pair
34 Exists
36 Devoured
39 To exclude
41 Owns
43 Lasso
44 Mine entrance
45 Ceremony
46 On the ocean
47 Barriers in rivers
49 Plane surface
51 Retained
52 To cut, with "snick"
54 Digit

Answer to Puzzle Number 43

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